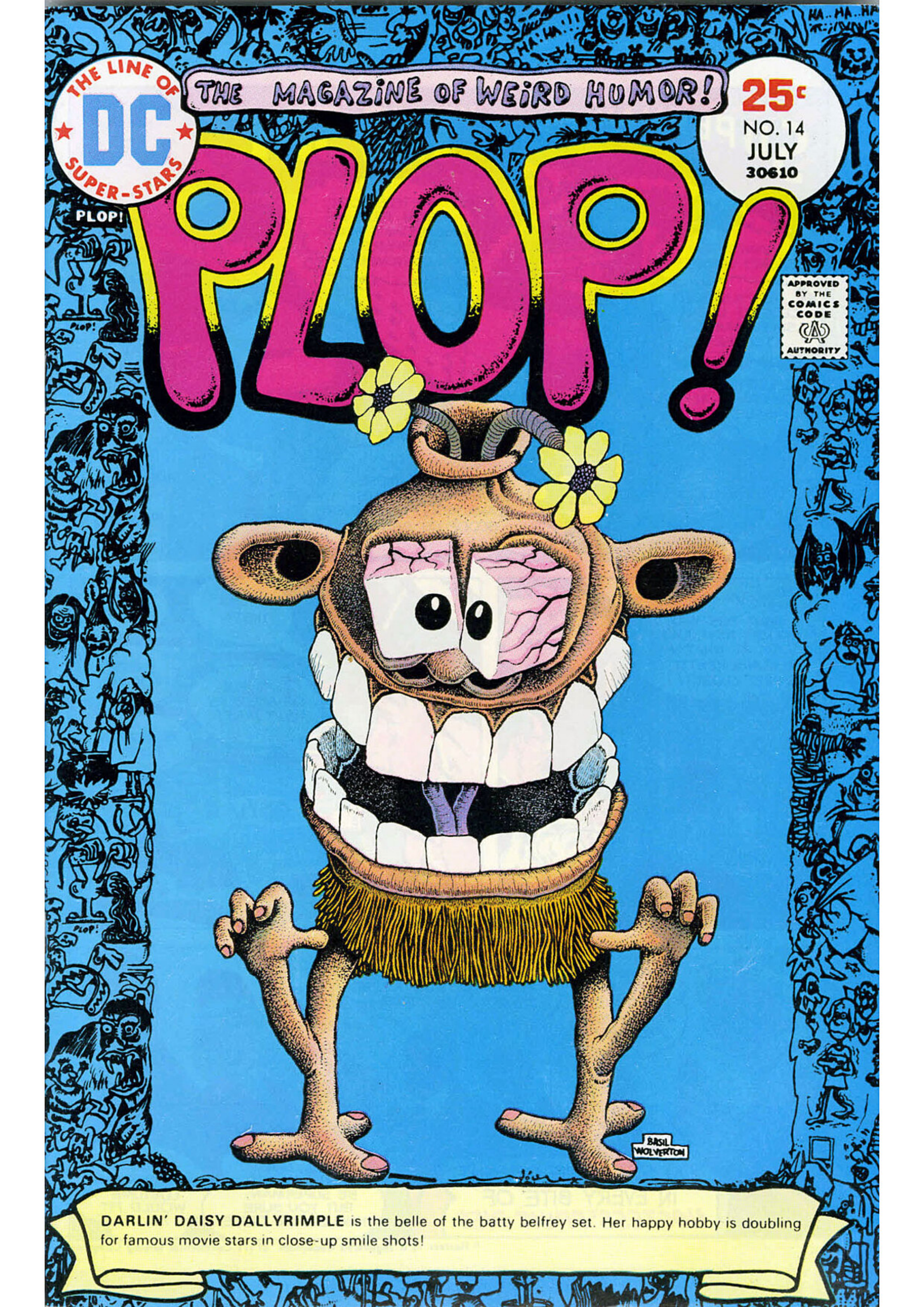
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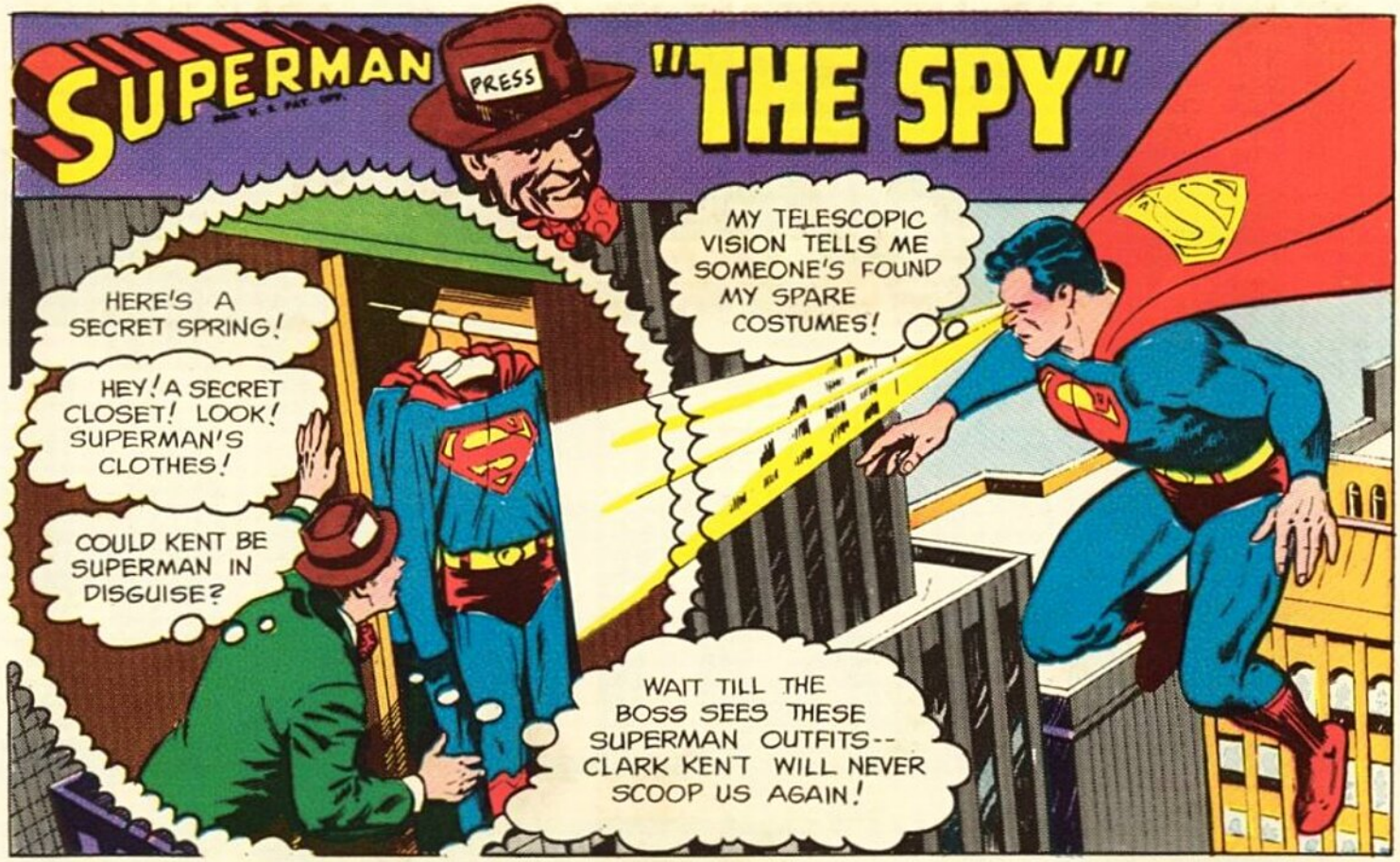

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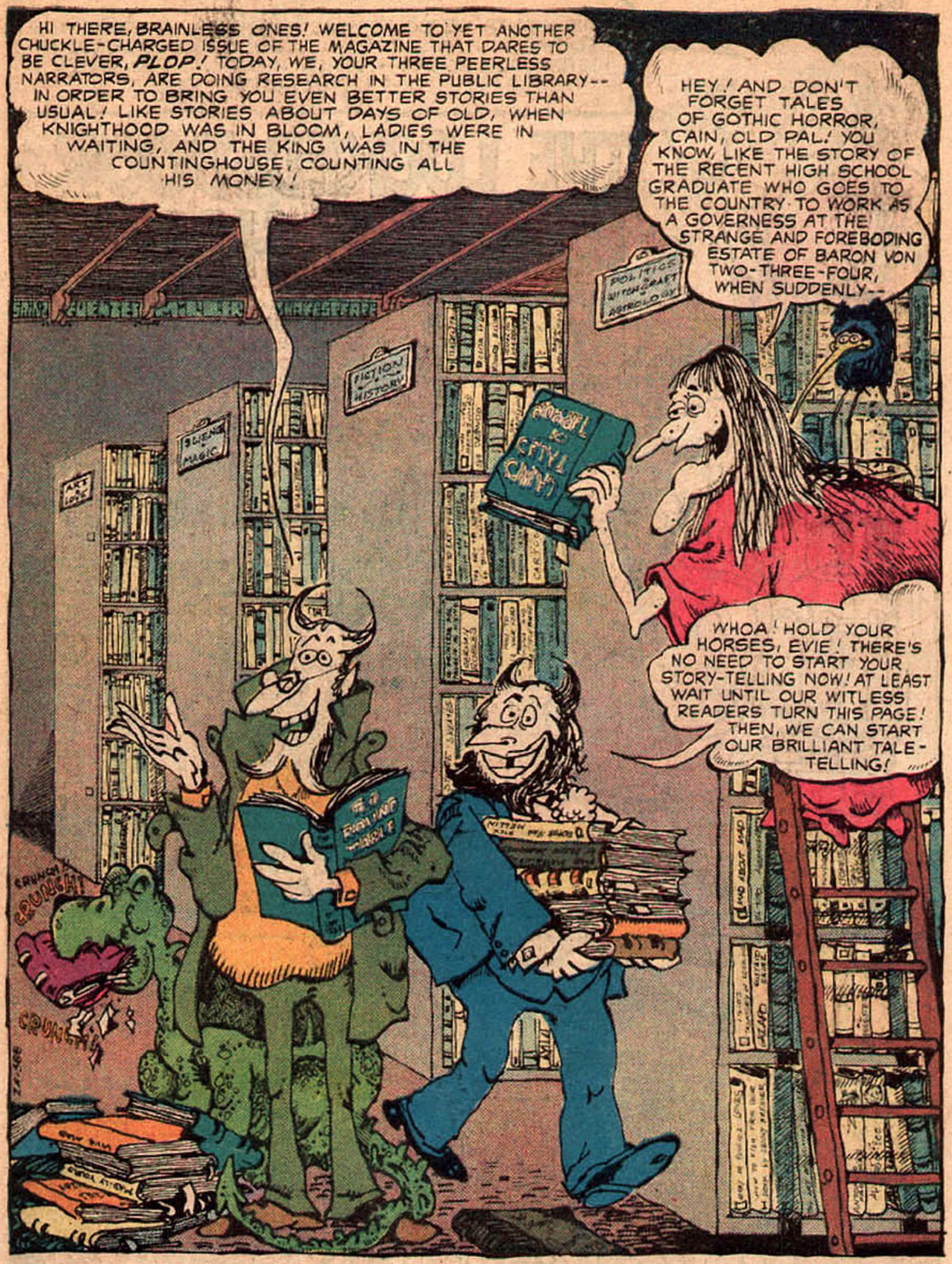

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THIS MONTH WE GO TOPICAL--WITH TALES AND JOKES RELATING TO POPULAR NOVEL THEMES! THERE'S WESTERNS, HISTORICALS, SCIENCE-FICTION, MEDICAL AND ANIMAL, THEMES--PLUS THIS LITTLE GOTHIC GRABBER...

THE LOCKED DOOR of HARKNESS HOUSE!

STORY-MAXENE FABE
ART- DAVID MANAK

KRACKLE...KRIK...WE INTERRUPT THIS PROGRAM FOR A SPECIAL NEWS BULLETIN. AN INMATE HAS ESCAPED TONIGHT FROM THE KOOKVILLE ASYLUM FOR THE CRIMINALLY INSANE. HE MAY BE ARMED AND SHOULD BE CONSIDERED EXTREMELY DANGEROUS!

GOOD HEAVENS, JUSTINE. WHATEVER WOULD WE DO IF HE CAME HERE?

MANAK

LATER IN THE KITCHEN...

CRINK

OH, SOMEONE'S BREAKING INTO OUR HOUSE!

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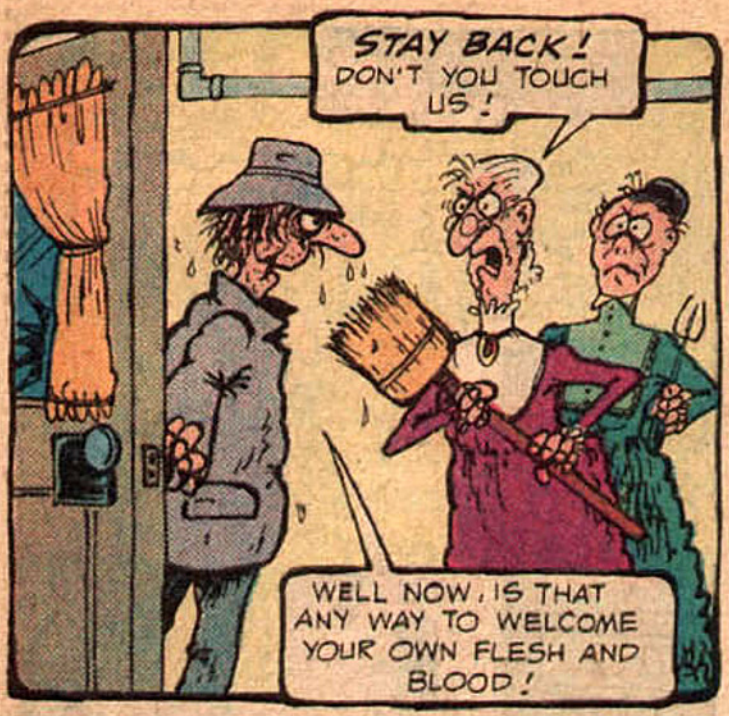
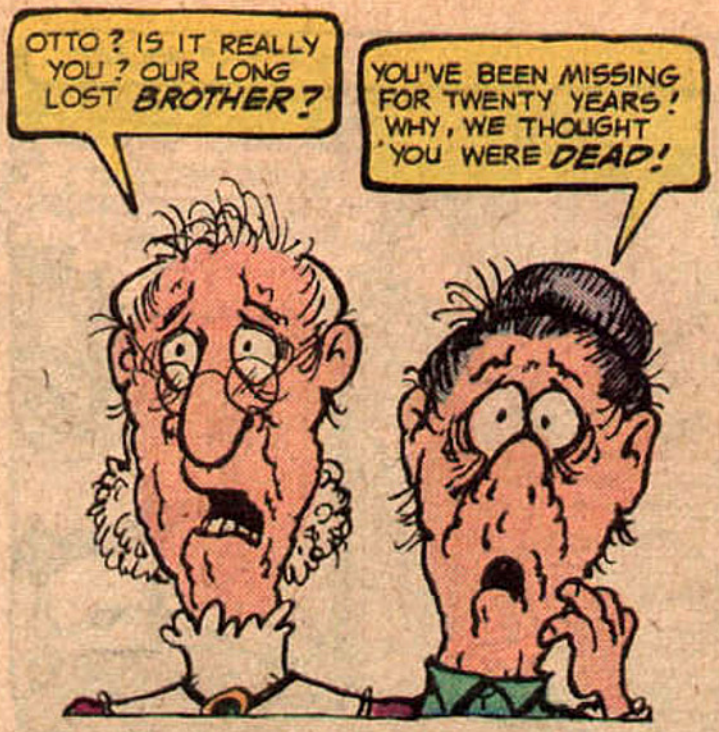
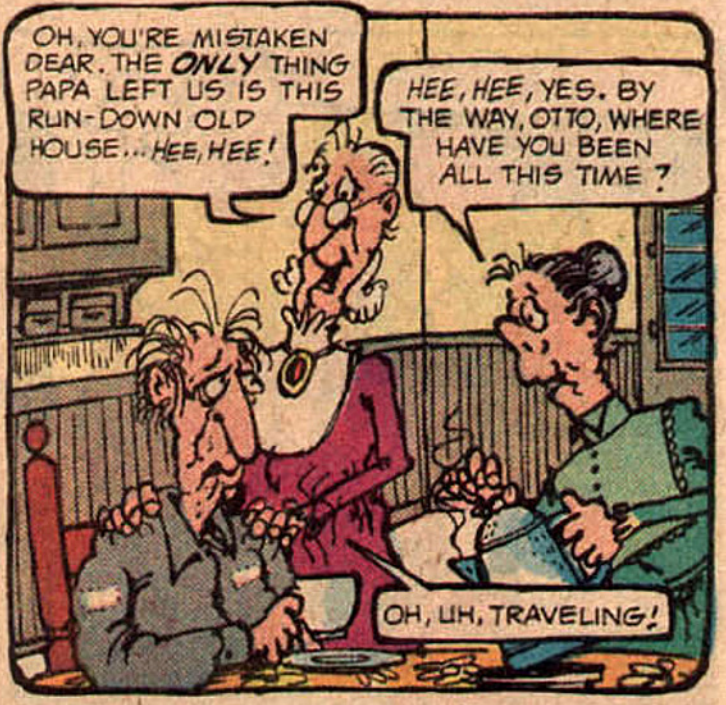
HARRIET, CALL THE POLICE!

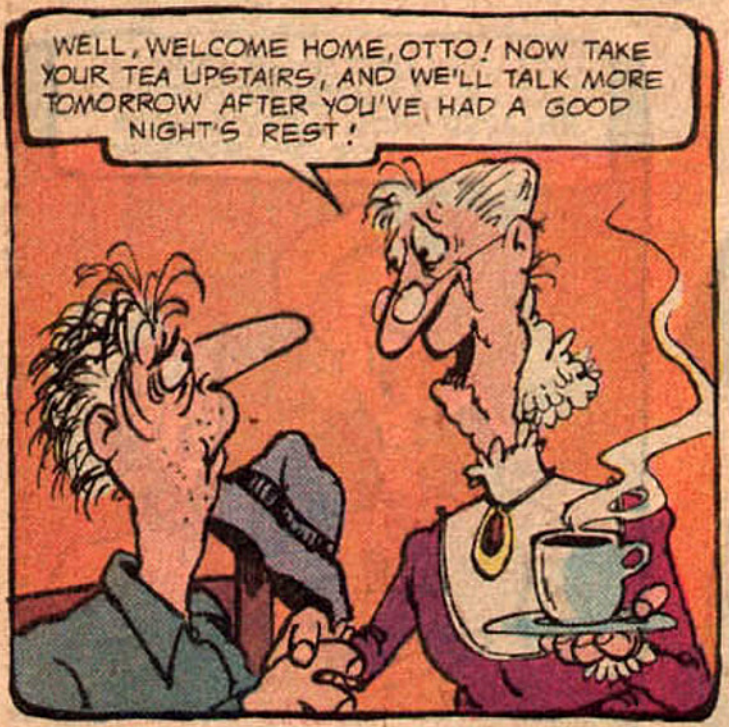
I CAN'T, JUSTINE, THE LINE IS DEAD!


STAY BACK! DON'T YOU TOUCH US!
WELL NOW, IS THAT ANY WAY TO WELCOME YOUR OWN FLESH AND BLOOD!

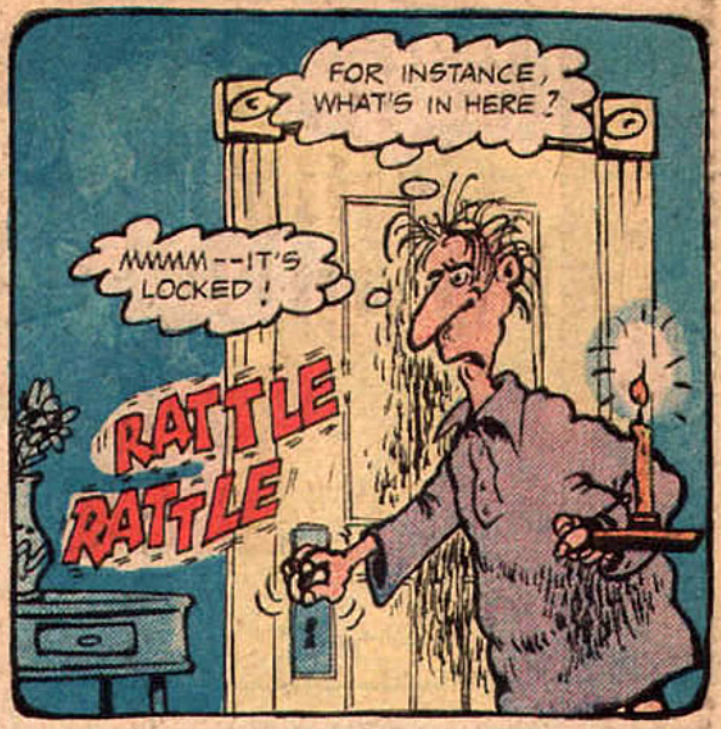

OTTO? IS IT REALLY YOU? OUR LONG LOST BROTHER?
YOU'VE BEEN MISSING FOR TWENTY YEARS! WHY, WE THOUGHT YOU WERE DEAD!

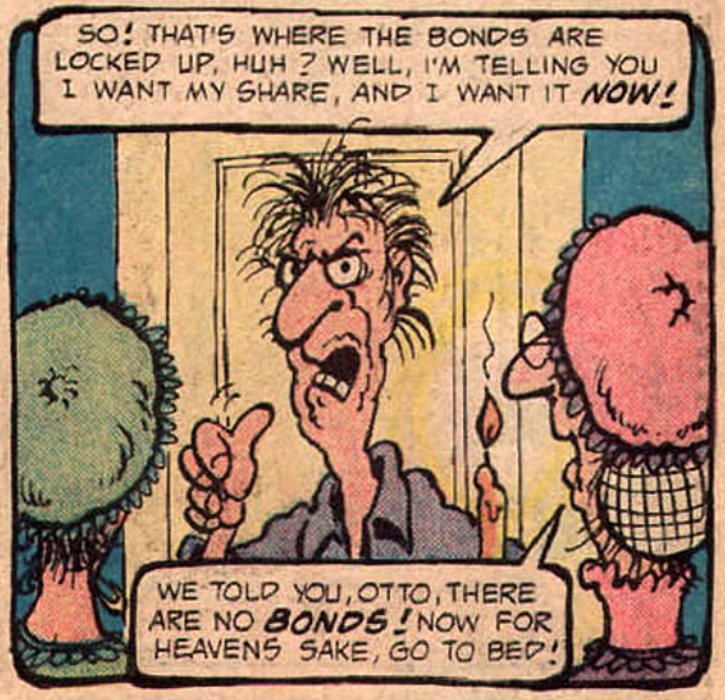
DEAD? IF I WERE DEAD, YOU WOULD'VE BEEN ABLE TO CASH IN MY PART OF THE SECURITY BONDS THAT DEAR OLD PAPA LEFT TO EACH OF US WHEN HE DIED!


OH, YOU'RE MISTAKEN DEAR. THE ONLY THING PAPA LEFT US IS THIS RUN-DOWN OLD HOUSE... HEE, HEE!
HEE, HEE, YES. BY THE WAY, OTTO, WHERE HAVE YOU BEEN ALL THIS TIME?
OH, UH, TRAVELING!


WELL, WELCOME HOME, OTTO! NOW TAKE YOUR TEA UPSTAIRS, AND WE'LL TALK MORE TOMORROW AFTER YOU'VE HAD A GOOD NIGHT'S REST!

YOU GO IN THE SECOND DOOR ON THE LEFT, OTTO DEAR. WE'LL BE UP AS SOON AS WE TAPE UP THE BROKEN WINDOW AND LOCK UP!
THOSE TWO OLD BATS ARE NUTS IF THEY THINK I'LL MISS MY THREE-WAY SPLIT ON THE OLD MAN'S BONDS!





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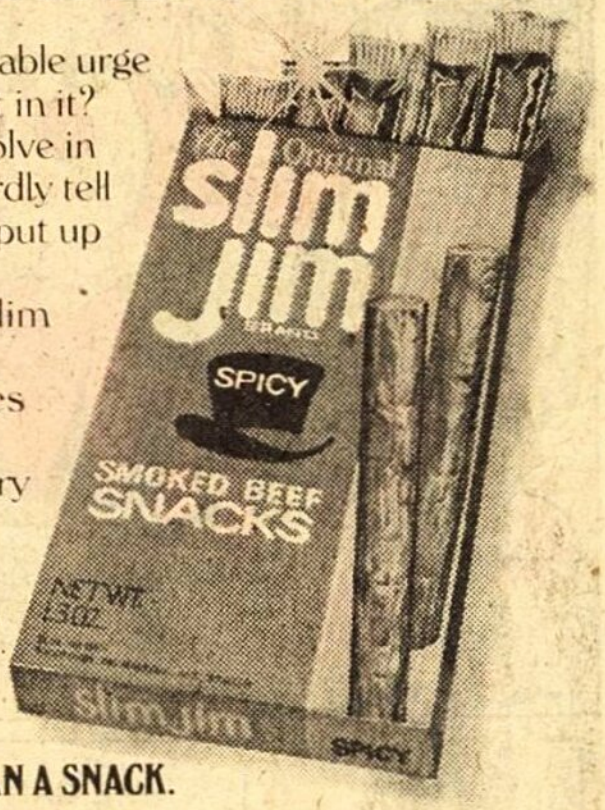

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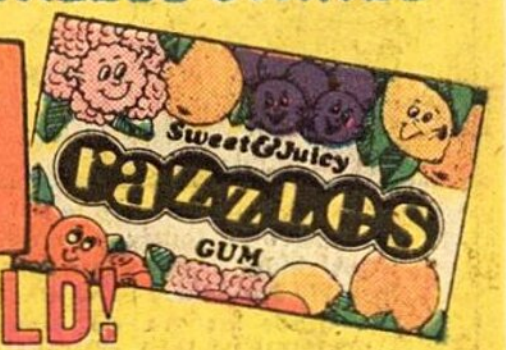

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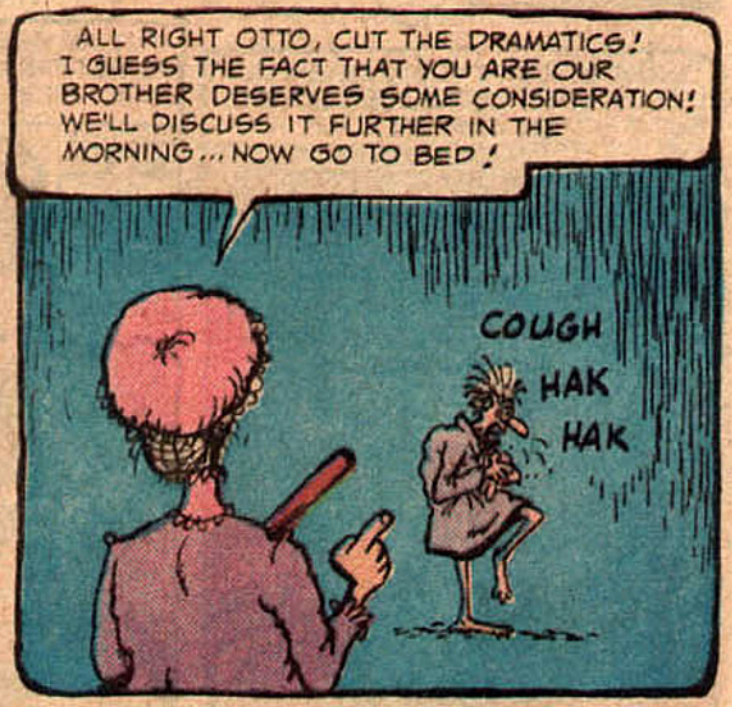
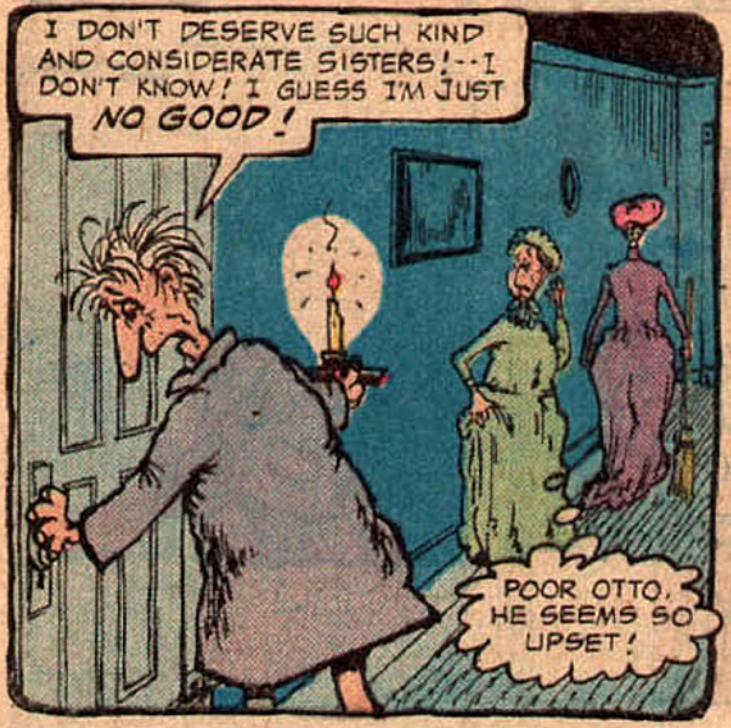
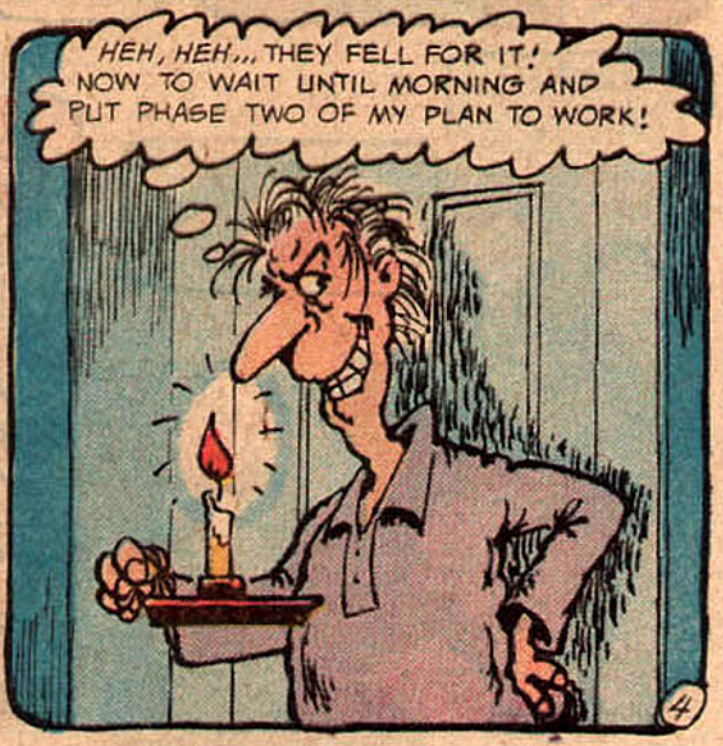
THAT'S IT! I'VE GOT IT!

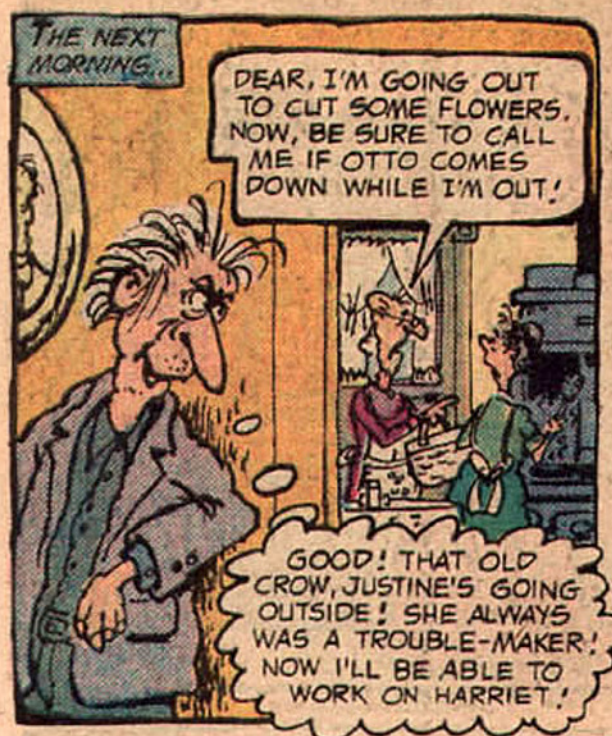
PLEASE! JUSTINE... HARRIET! YOU CAN'T PUT ME OUT! I-I'M A SICK MAN! WHY, I'M YOUR BROTHER! YOUR OWN FLESH AND BLOOD!

I'M TELLING YOU, YOU DON'T KNOW WHAT IT'S LIKE TO BE LOCKED UP! ONE COLD SHOWER A WEEK! NOTHING TO EAT BUT BEANS AND FRANKS! I CAN'T TAKE IT ANY MORE--; SOB!!
JUSTINE, MAYBE...

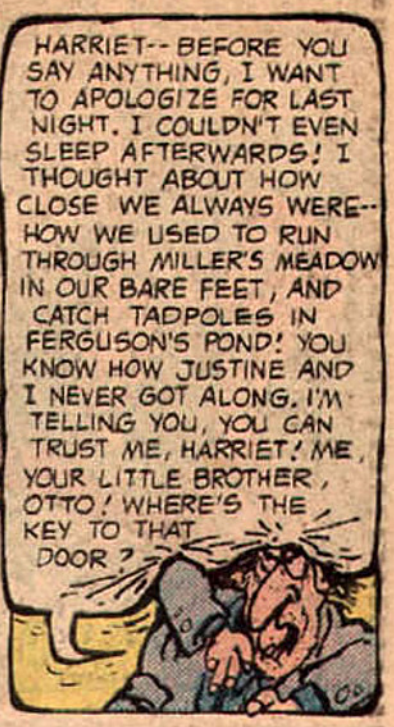

ALL RIGHT OTTO, CUT THE DRAMATICS! I GUESS THE FACT THAT YOU ARE OUR BROTHER DESERVES SOME CONSIDERATION! WE'LL DISCUSS IT FURTHER IN THE MORNING... NOW GO TO BED!
COUGH
HAK
HAK


I DON'T DESERVE SUCH KIND AND CONSIDERATE SISTERS!--I DON'T KNOW! I GUESS I'M JUST NO GOOD!
POOR OTTO, HE SEEMS SO UPSET!

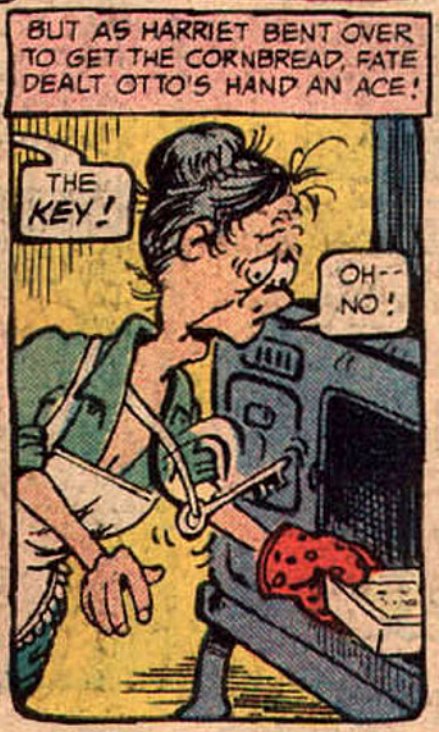

HEH, HEH... THEY FELL FOR IT! NOW TO WAIT UNTIL MORNING AND PUT PHASE TWO OF MY PLAN TO WORK!


THE NEXT MORNING...
DEAR, I'M GOING OUT TO CUT SOME FLOWERS. NOW, BE SURE TO CALL ME IF OTTO COMES DOWN WHILE I'M OUT!
GOOD! THAT OLD CROW, JUSTINE'S GOING OUTSIDE! SHE ALWAYS WAS A TROUBLE-MAKER! NOW I'LL BE ABLE TO WORK ON HARRIET!

GOOD MORNING, HARRIET-- OH, LET ME HELP YOU WITH THAT!
GOOD MORNING, OTTO!

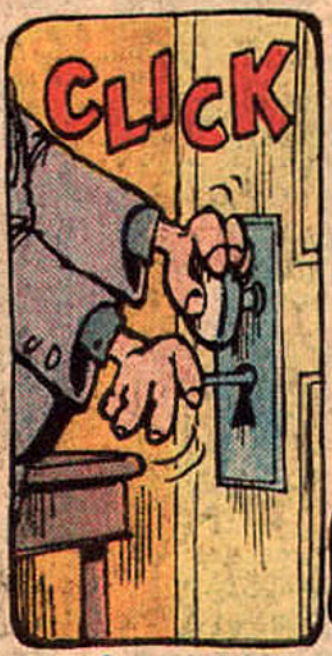

HARRIET-- BEFORE YOU SAY ANYTHING, I WANT TO APOLOGIZE FOR LAST NIGHT. I COULDN'T EVEN SLEEP AFTERWARDS! I THOUGHT ABOUT HOW CLOSE WE ALWAYS WERE-- HOW WE USED TO RUN THROUGH MILLER'S MEADOW IN OUR BARE FEET, AND CATCH TADPOLES IN FERGUSON'S POND! YOU KNOW HOW JUSTINE AND I NEVER GOT ALONG. I'M TELLING YOU, YOU CAN TRUST ME, HARRIET! ME, YOUR LITTLE BROTHER, OTTO! WHERE'S THE KEY TO THAT DOOR?

I REALLY DON'T THINK WE SHOULD DISCUSS THAT UNTIL JUSTINE GETS BACK! SO YOU JUST SIT DOWN AND LET ME GET SOME CORNBREAD OUT OF THE OVEN FOR YOU!


BUT AS HARRIET BENT OVER TO GET THE CORNBREAD, FATE DEALT OTTO'S HAND AN ACE!
THE KEY!
OH-- NO!

HERE, GIMME THAT!
NO, OTTO, YOU MUSTN'T-- JUSTINE!

HARRIET-- WHAT HAPPENED?
OTTO--OTTO GOT THE KEY FROM ME! HE W-WENT UPSTAIRS!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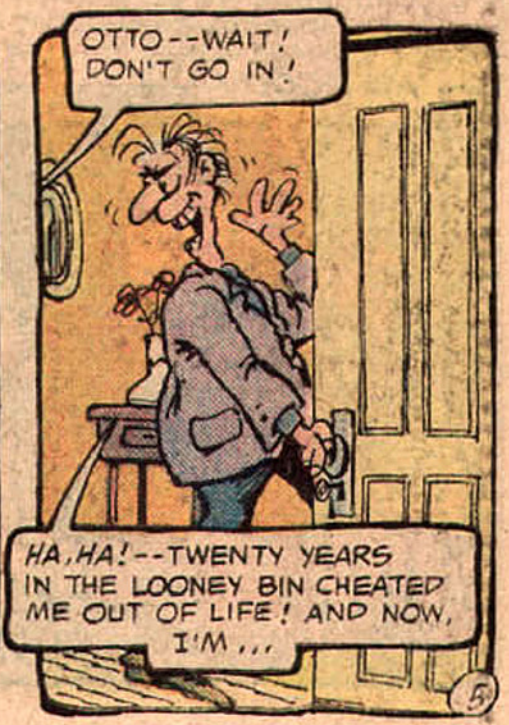
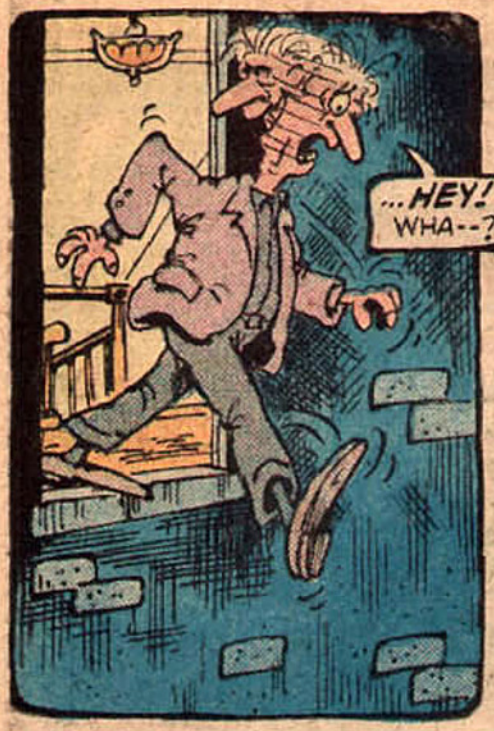
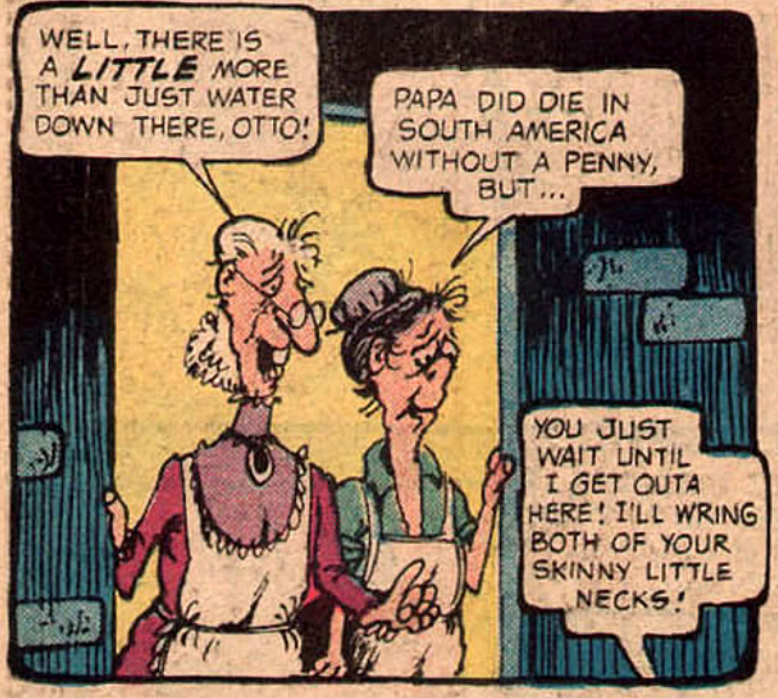

OTTO--WAIT! DON'T GO IN!
HA, HA!--TWENTY YEARS IN THE LOONEY BIN CHEATED ME OUT OF LIFE! AND NOW, I'M...

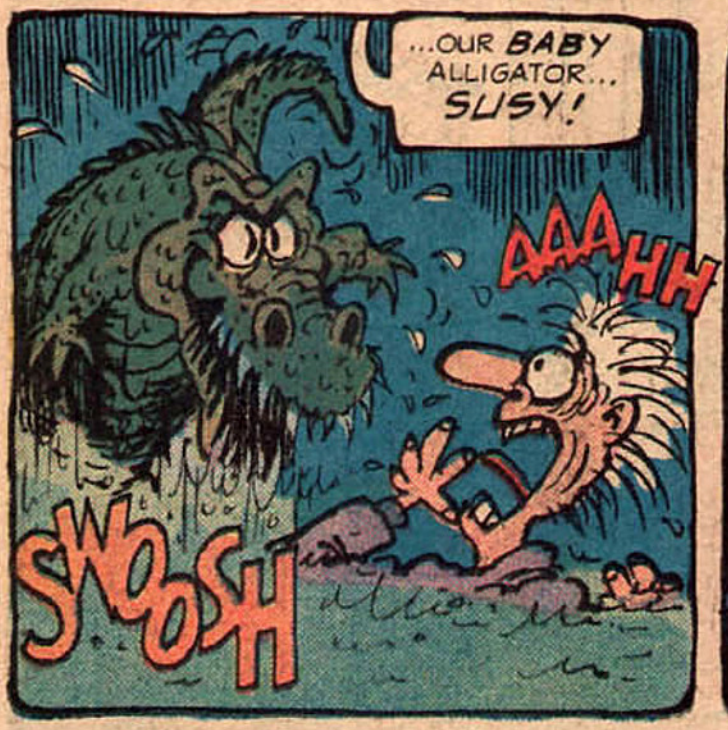

...HEY! WHA--?

AAAAHHHH
SPLOOSH

OTTO, WE TRIED TO STOP YO--
BIG JOKE, BIG JOKE! WHY THE HECK DIDN'T YOU TELL ME THAT THIS WAS AN OLD SHAFTWAY WITH NOTHING BUT WATER IN IT ?


WELL, THERE IS A LITTLE MORE THAN JUST WATER DOWN THERE, OTTO!
PAPA DID DIE IN SOUTH AMERICA WITHOUT A PENNY, BUT...
YOU JUST WAIT UNTIL I GET OUTA HERE! I'LL WRING BOTH OF YOUR SKINNY LITTLE NECKS!

BUT, HE DID SEND US A LITTLE SOMETHING TO REMEMBER HIM BY... OF COURSE SUSY WAS JUST A BABY WHEN--
LISTEN--I DON'T CARE WHAT--WHAT DO YOU MEAN? WHO'S SUSY?


...OUR BABY ALLIGATOR... SUSY!
AAAHH
SWOOSH

... SHE DOESN'T USUALLY TAKE TO STRANGERS, BUT I THINK SHE'LL LIKE YOU, OTTO!

...AND SUZY DID LIKE OTTO!
...NICE GIRL, SUSY...
AAAAHH
CHOMP
CHOMP
CHOMP
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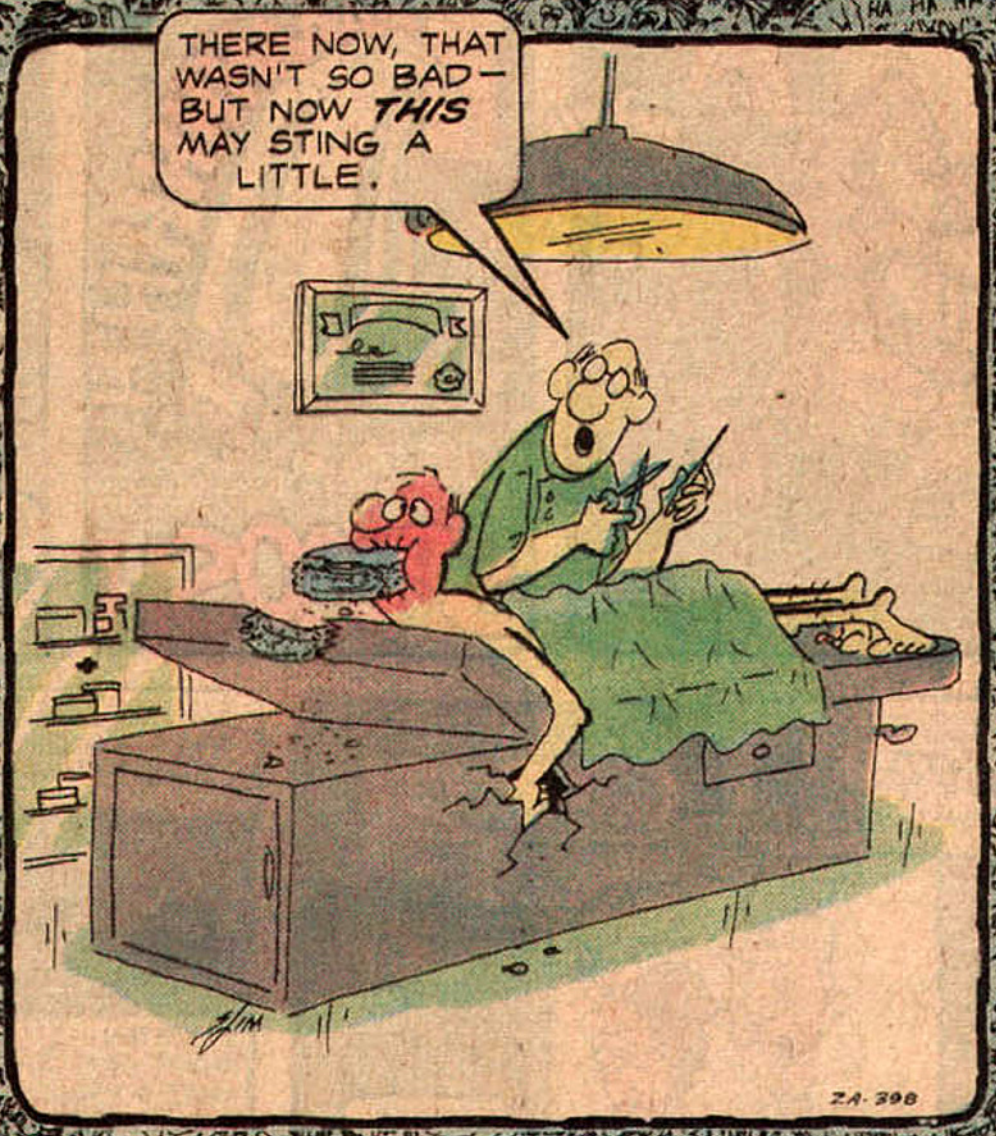

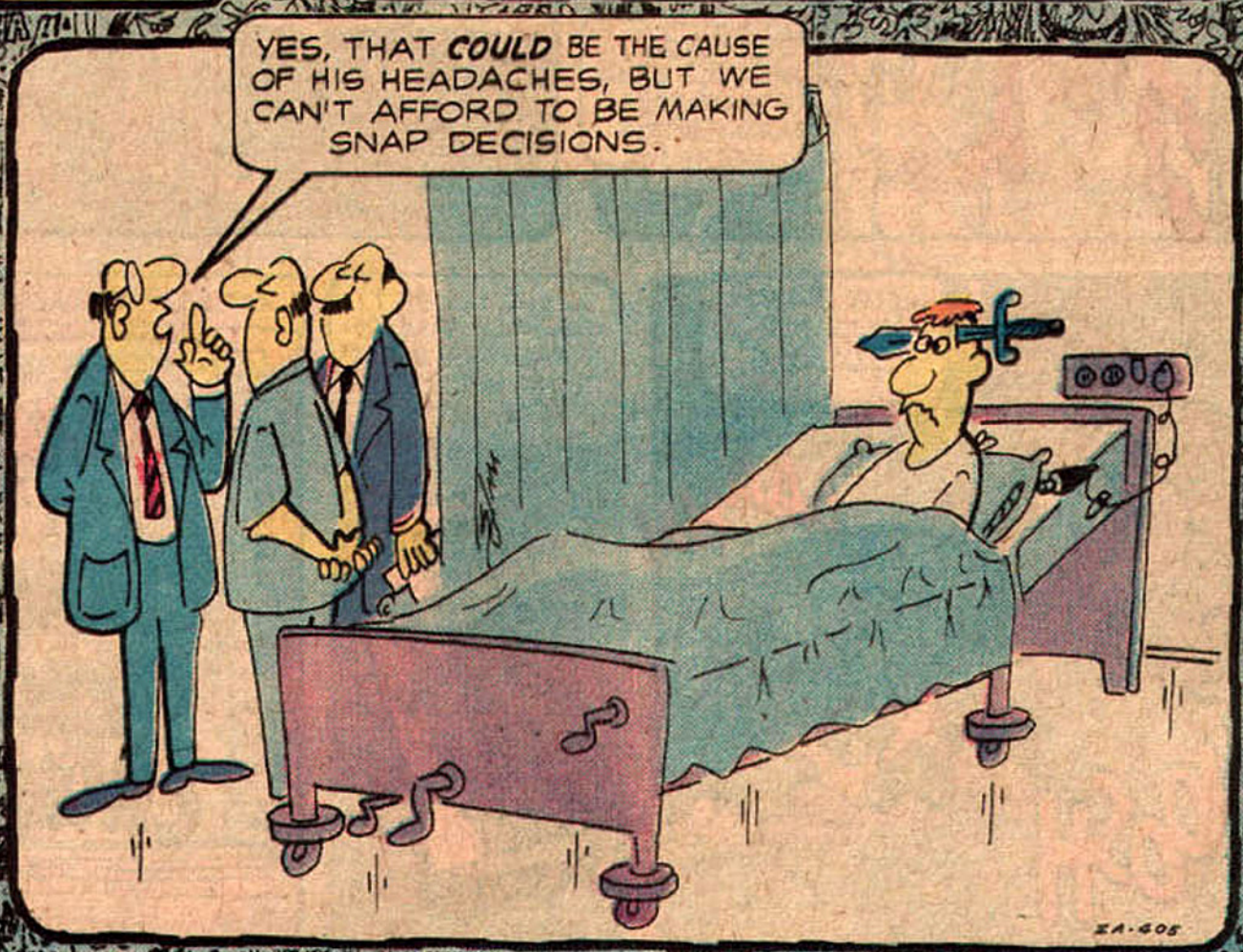

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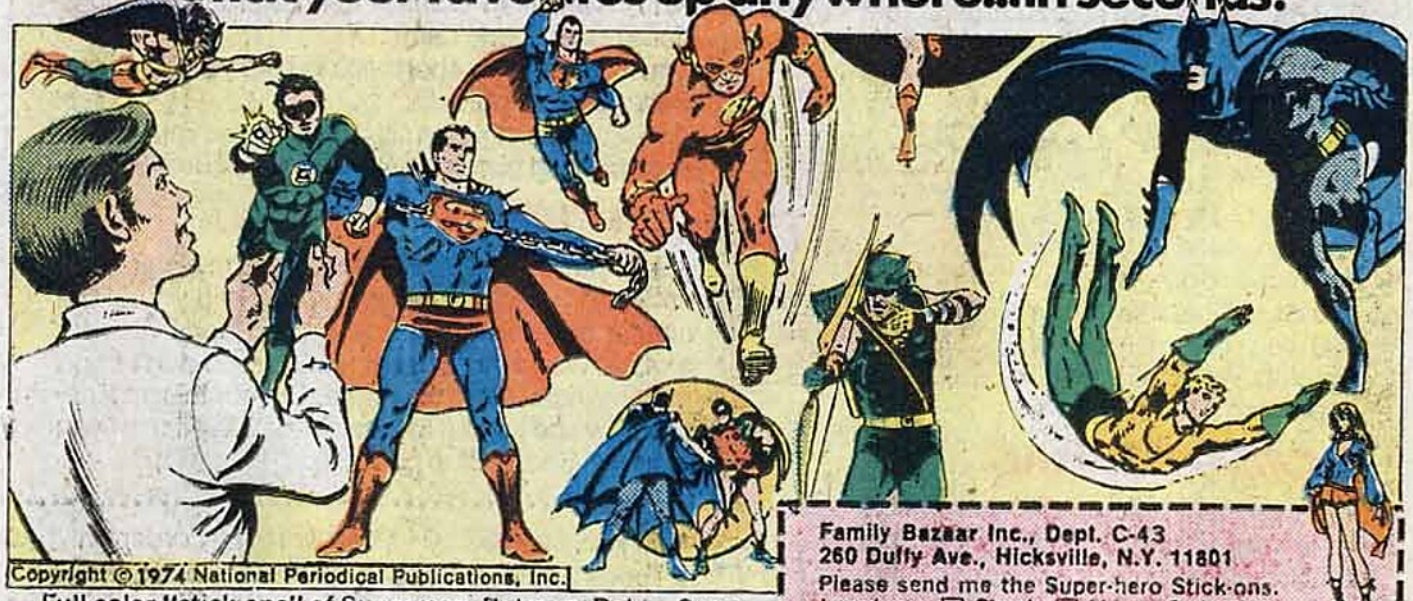

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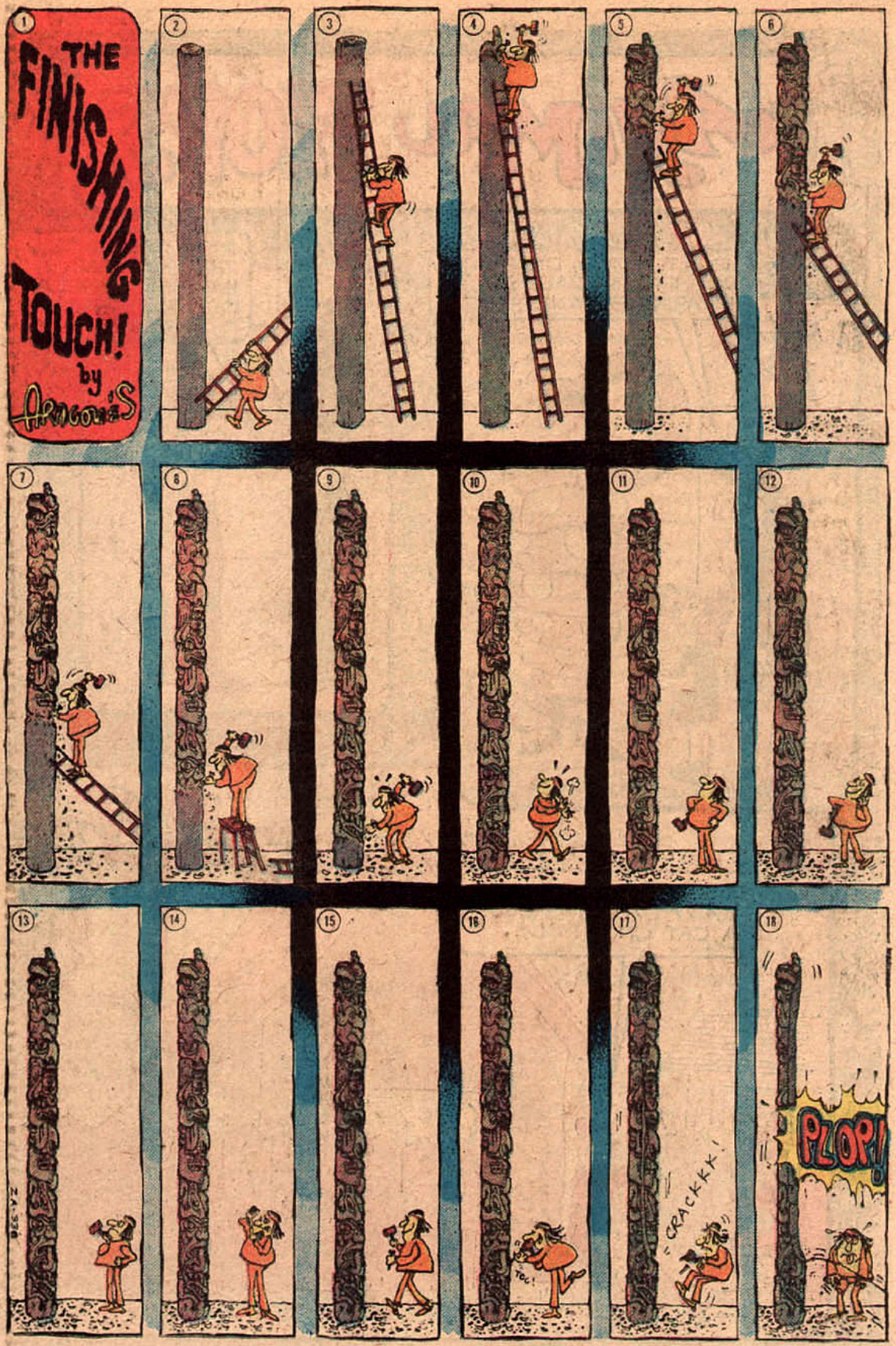
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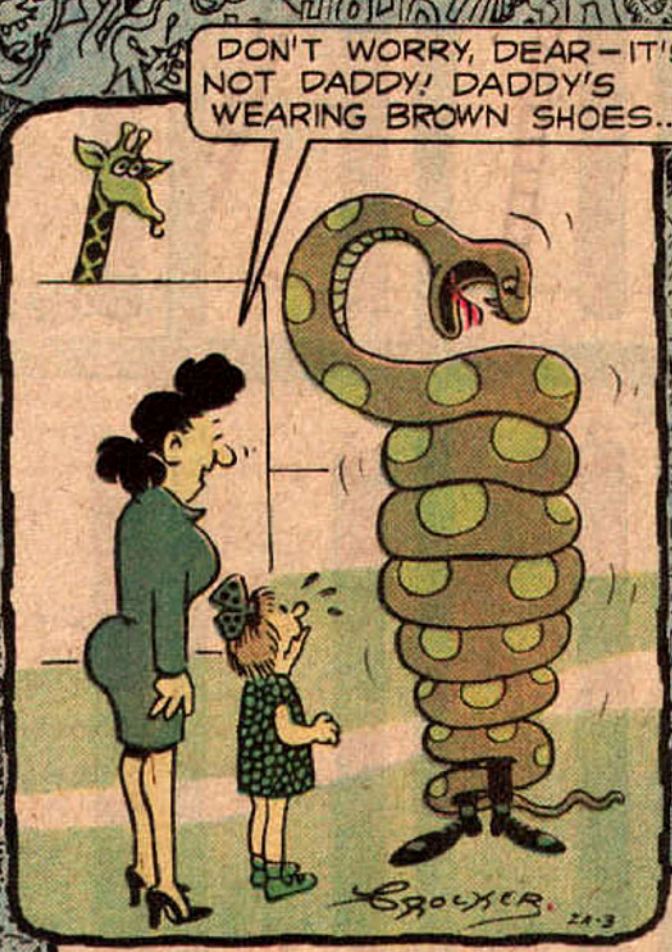

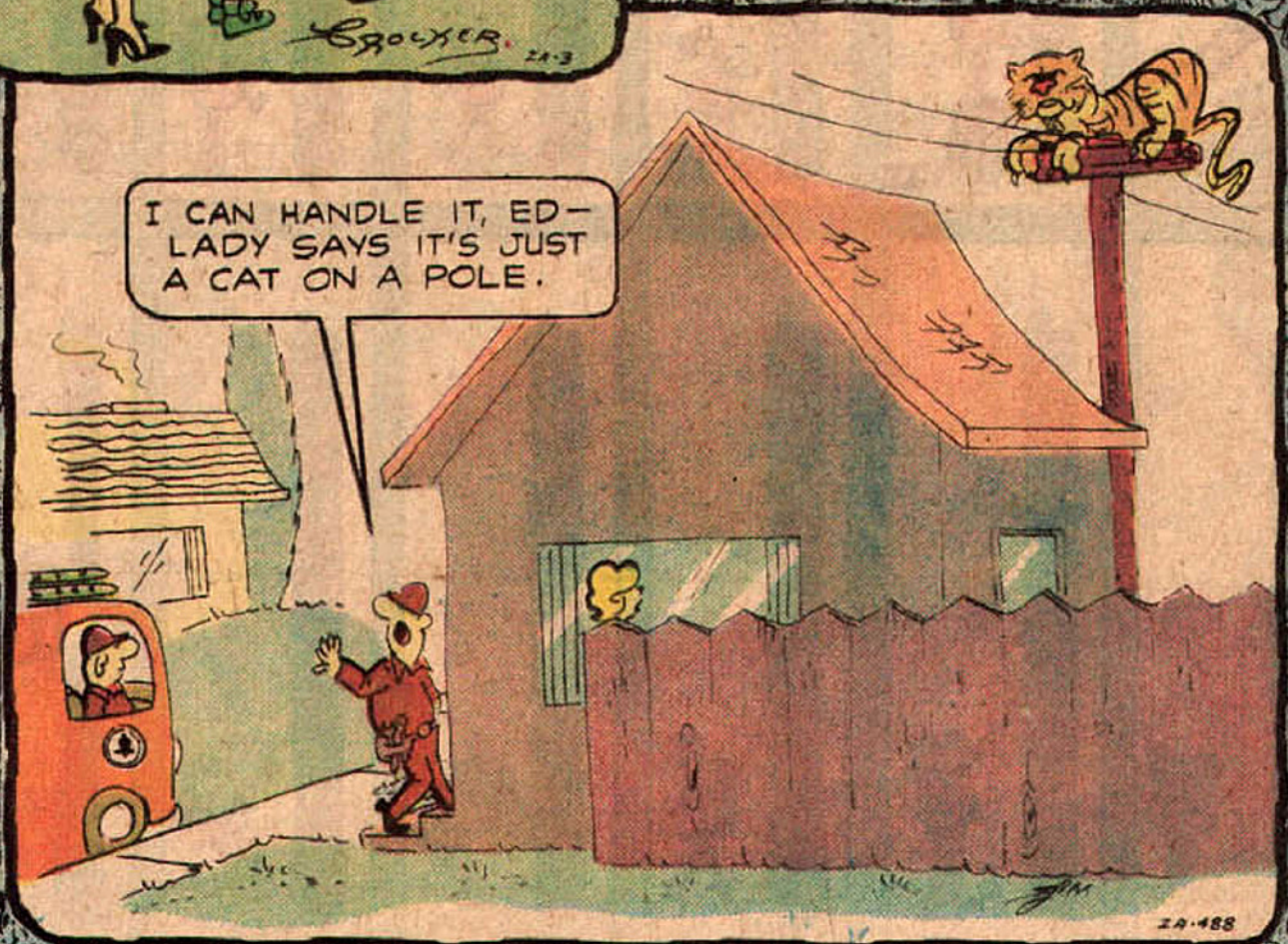

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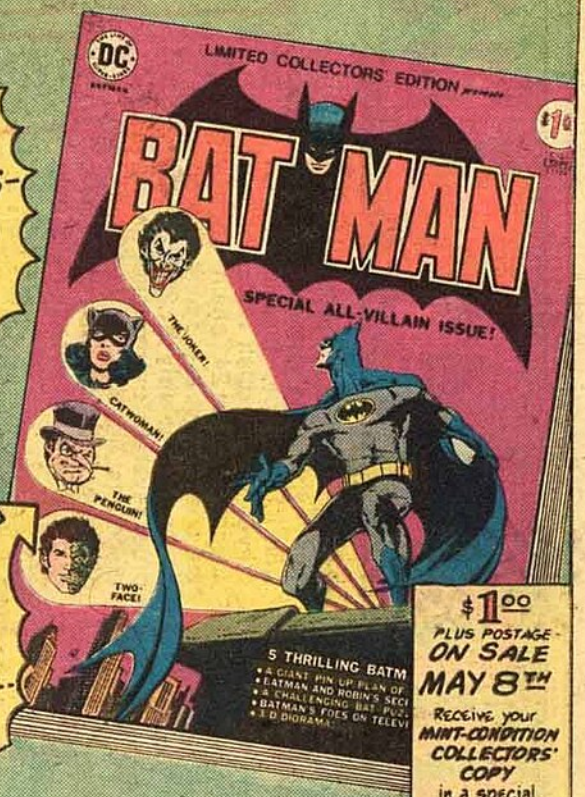

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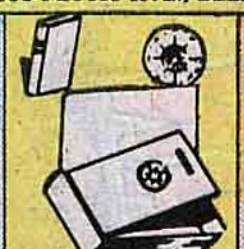

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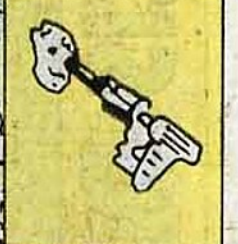

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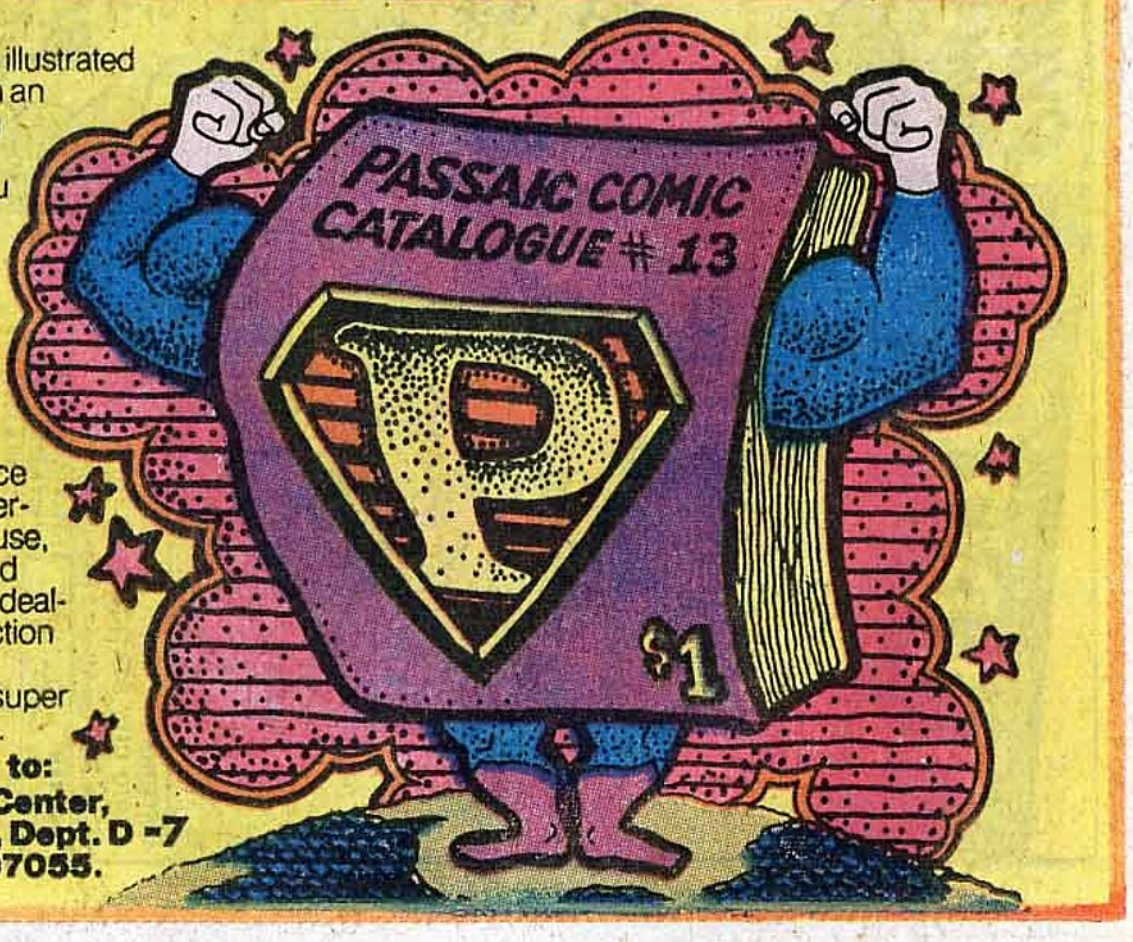
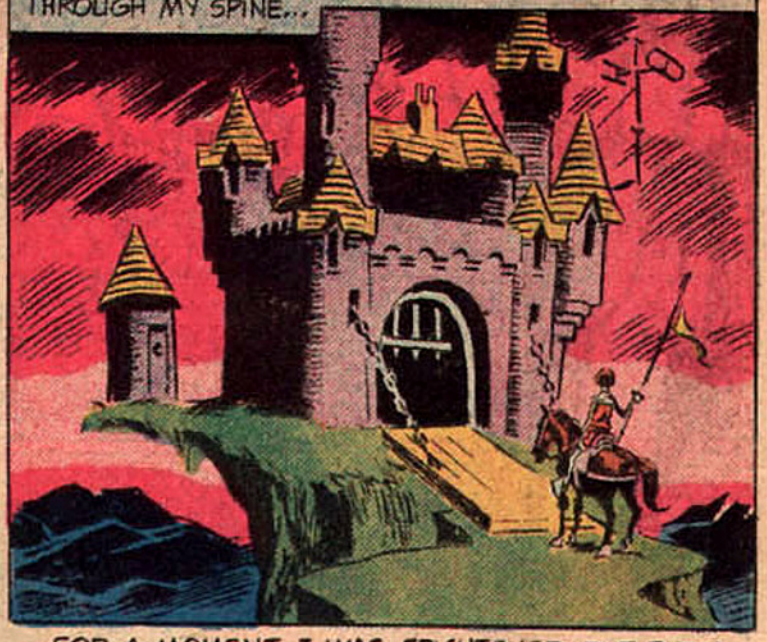


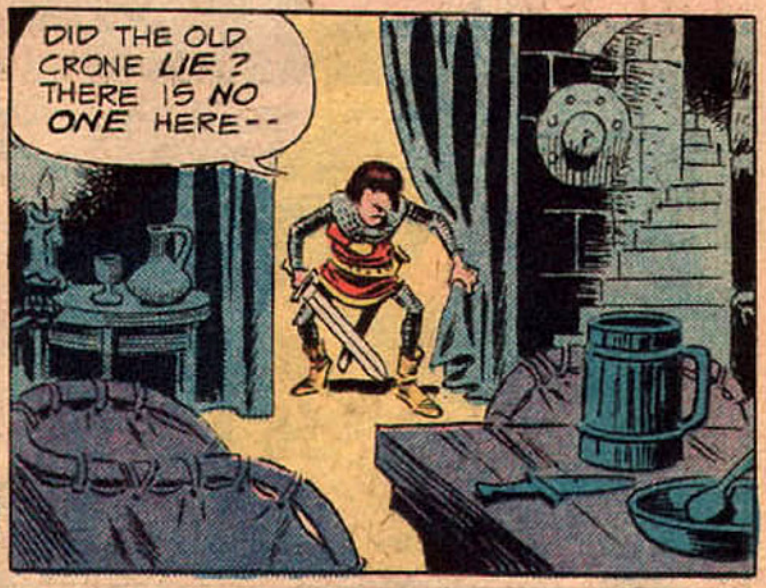
THE OLD CRONE'S WARNING WAS FOR ONE FAINT OF HEART... NOT ONE DESTINED TO SIT BESIDE ***ARTHUR PENDRAGON.*** SO, WITH NARY A WORD, I DIRECTED MY STEED TOWARDS ***MERLIN'S CASTLE...***

TAKE CARE... TAKE CARE... YOU ARE ***NOT*** AS ***INVINCIBLE*** AS YOU THINK...

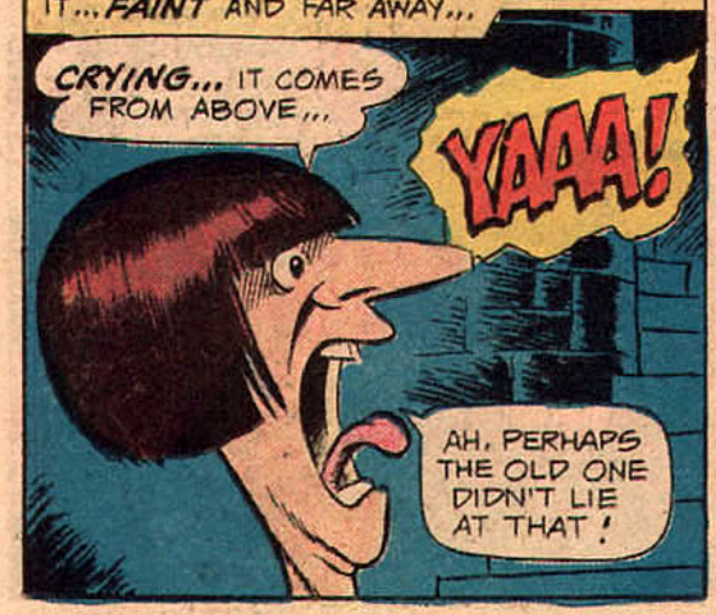
TIRED AFTER THE LONG RIDE, I STARED AT THE HUGE CASTLE THROUGH HALF-OPENED EYES. IT ROSE INTO THE SKY LIKE THE BLACK HAND OF HELL ITSELF, AND A SHIVER OF COLD EVIL LACED THROUGH MY SPINE...



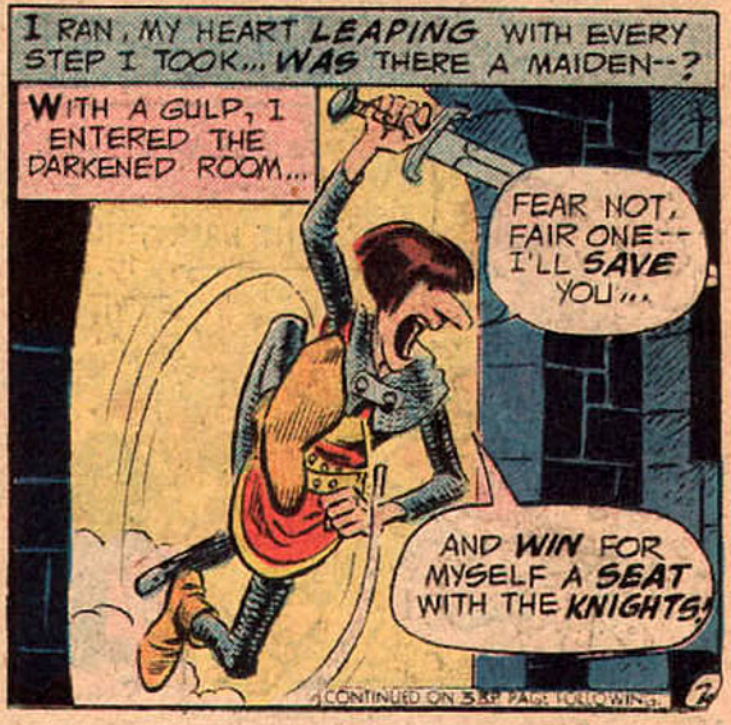
...FOR A MOMENT I WAS FRIGHTENED... BUT THEN I FORGED AHEAD TO THE CASTLE DOOR...



I ***CURSED*** THE OLD ONE FOR HER LIES, AND SWORE MY BLADE WOULD END HER LYING TONGUE FOREVER... BUT THEN I ***HEARD*** IT... ***FAINT*** AND FAR AWAY...



I RAN, MY HEART ***LEAPING*** WITH EVERY STEP I TOOK... ***WAS*** THERE A MAIDEN--?



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MY HEART RACES, FOR AT LAST MY VOYAGE IS DONE. I AM HERE IN MIGHTY ENGLAND, AND SOON WILL JOIN THE FABLED SOCIETY OF KNIGHTS...

TO BECOME A ***KNIGHT***... OH HOW I HAVE WISHED THIS DAY TO COME TRUE... TO RIDE BESIDE THE DASHING ***SIR LANCELOT***... TO FIGHT NEXT TO THE POWERFUL ***SIR GAWAIN***... TO BATTLE FOR MIGHTY KINGDOMS BY THE SIDE OF ***SIR TRISTRAM***...

...AND SOON...SOON ALL MY CHILDHOOD DREAMS WILL COME TRUE...SOON I SHALL SIT AS ONE OF THE ***KNIGHTS OF THE ROUND TABLE***.

WELCOME TO MERRIE OLDE ENGLAND

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SCRIPT- *Marv Wolfman*
ART- *Wallace Wood*

ALL MY ASSIGNED TASKS WERE ACCOMPLISHED, AND NOW ONLY THE LAST AWAITS ME--I MUST RESCUE A MAIDEN FAIR...

A MAIDEN YE WISH? AYE, THERE BE ONE TO SAVE, ALL RIGHT--IF YE HAVE NOT FAINT HEART, THAT IS...

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MY ***VALOR*** IS NOT TO QUESTION, OLD ONE... NOW ***SPEAK***... TELL ME WHERE I MUST GO TO FIND THE ONE I SEEK?

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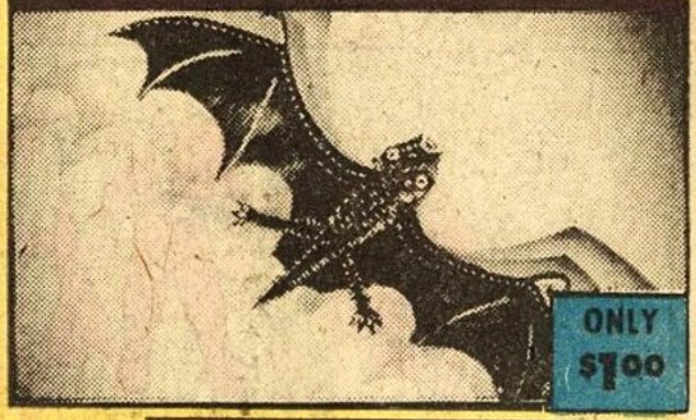

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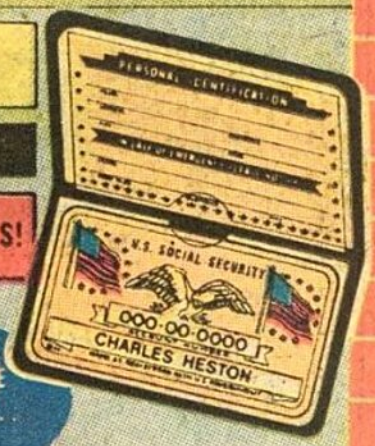

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IT WAS A SIGHT OF MIXED HORROR AND FASCINATION AS I STARED FOR A MOMENT...

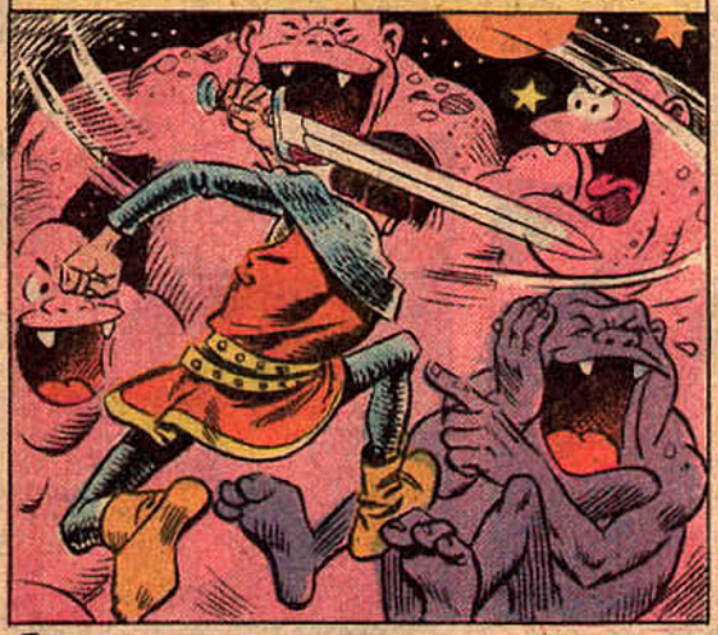
BY ALL THAT IS HOLY!! THIS IS IMPOSSIBLE! IMPOSSIBLE!

IT'S THE NIGHT-MARE OF A MAD-MAN!

BUT MAY HEAVEN HELP ME... IT'S TRUE! ALL TRUE!

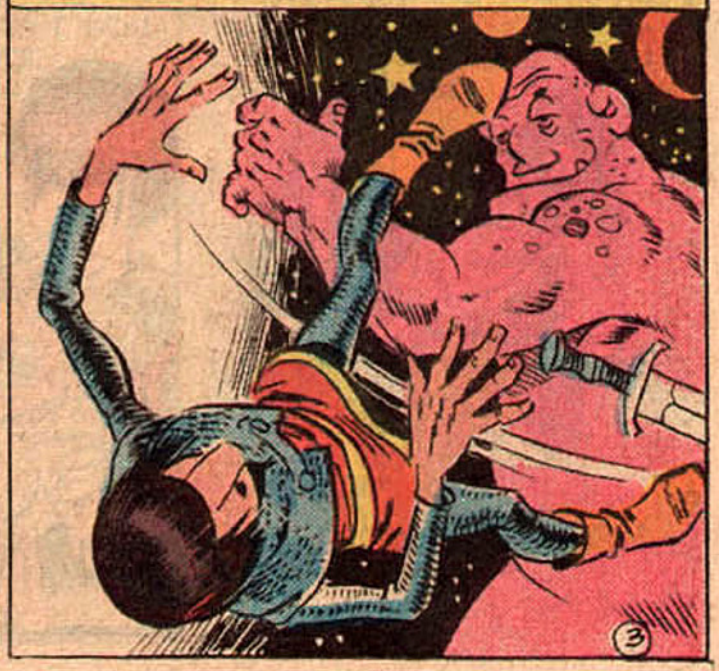
...AND THEN I ATTACKED...

I ATTACKED, MY SWORD FLARING IN ALL DIRECTIONS... BUT IT WAS USELESS...



I WAS LIKE A HARMLESS FLY TO THESE BEASTS, AND THEY LAUGHED OFF MY ATTACKS...

THEY WERE STRONG, THOSE BEASTS OF HELL... ONE LIFTED ME LIKE A CHILD, AND THREW ME ACROSS THE VELVET DARKNESS...



HER FACE WAS LIKE A SOFT-SWEET PETAL OF ROSE. HER TEARED EYES MELTED MINE... I WANTED TO HOLD HER... TO LOVE HER... BUT THE BEASTS ATTACKED AGAIN...
I'LL SAVE YOU, LOVELY PRINCESS... AND TAKE YOU FROM THESE DAMNABLE BEASTS...
I SWEAR IT! I SWEAR IT!
I DOVE AT THE NEAREST CREATURE, DRAWING MY DAGGER FROM ITS HIDDEN SLEEVE...
...AND I PLUNGED IT DEEP INTO ITS BRISTLED NECK AGAIN AND AGAIN!!
BUT STILL IT WAS USELESS... FOR THE BEAST SENT ME SPRAWLING WITH A SHRUG...
STRANGE... THEY ATTACK, YET NEVER DO THEY CROSS TO MY SIDE... THEY PULL THE MAIDEN TOWARDS THEM ONLY BY HER FOOT AS IF THEY CAN NOT ENTER THE WHITE SPACE!
...PERHAPS I CAN USE THIS WEAKNESS AGAINST THEM.
...I WAS CORRECT! THEY STOP AND WATCH... BUT THEY DO NOT COME CLOSER...
NOW, BEFORE THEY CAN RETURN TO THE GIRL... NOW I CAN PULL HER TOWARDS MYSELF ...AND SAFETY!
THESE TEARS WILL SOON END, FAIR ONE... AND YOU WILL BE SAFE IN MY ARMS... THE ARMS OF A NEWBORN KNIGHT!
NO, YOUTH... DO NOT TOUCH HER!
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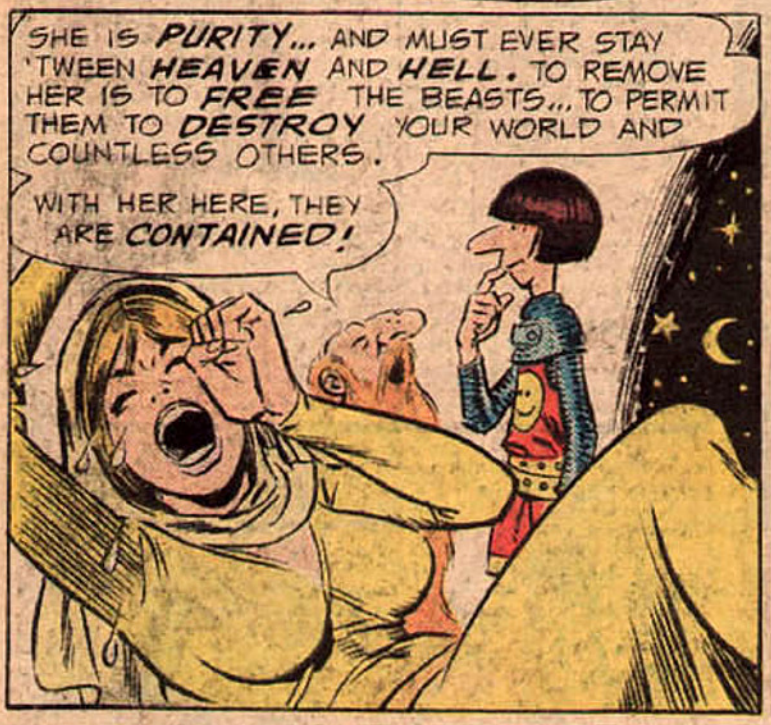
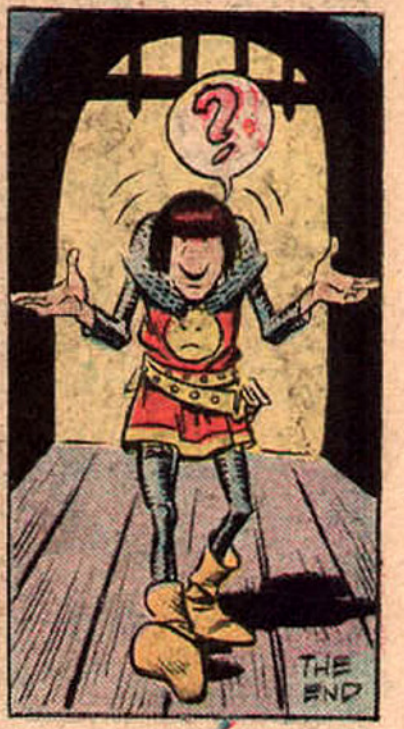


MY WORLD CRASHED BENEATH ME ...ALL THAT I STRIVED FOR... TO RID THE WORLD OF EVIL... MY GLORIES AS A KNIGHT... THEY ALL COLLAPSED ... LIKE A CASTLE OF SAND... I TURNED AND SLOWLY STRODE OFF NEVER LOOKING BACK FOR FEAR I WOULD TURN TO SALT...



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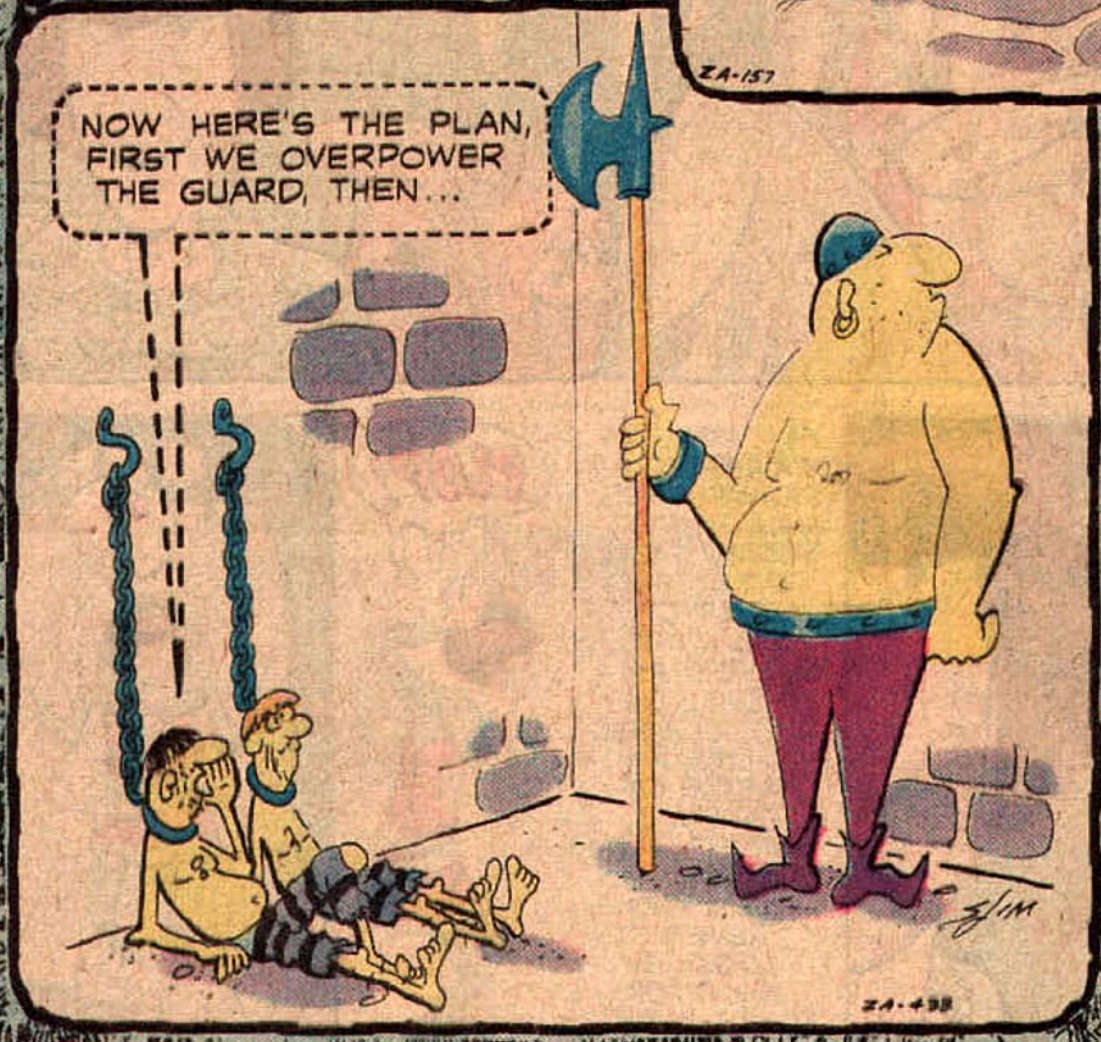

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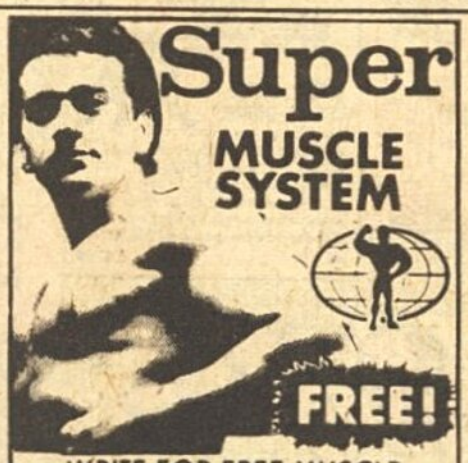

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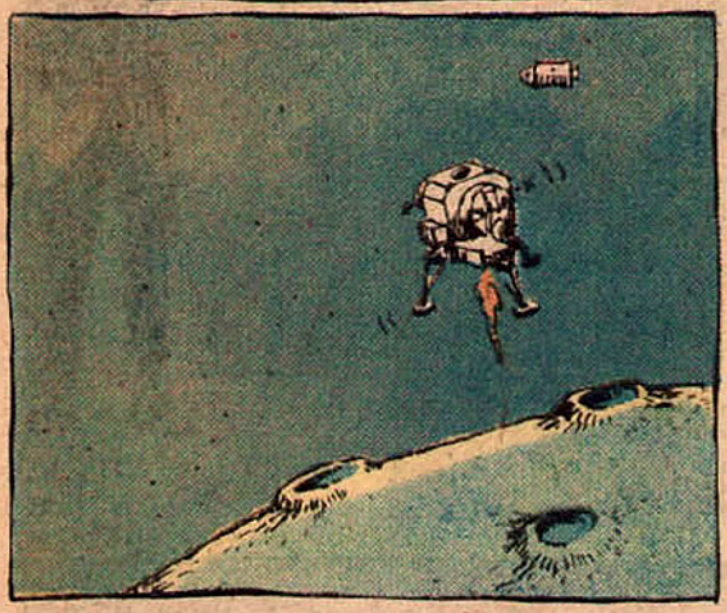

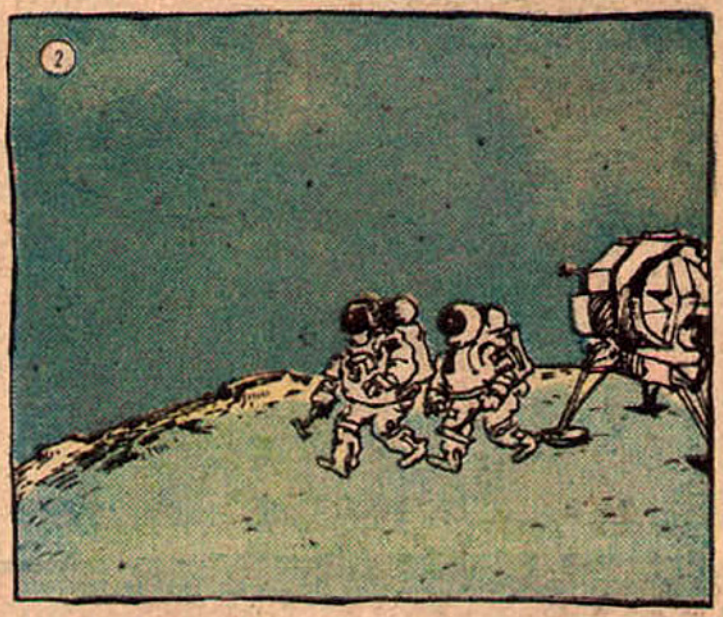

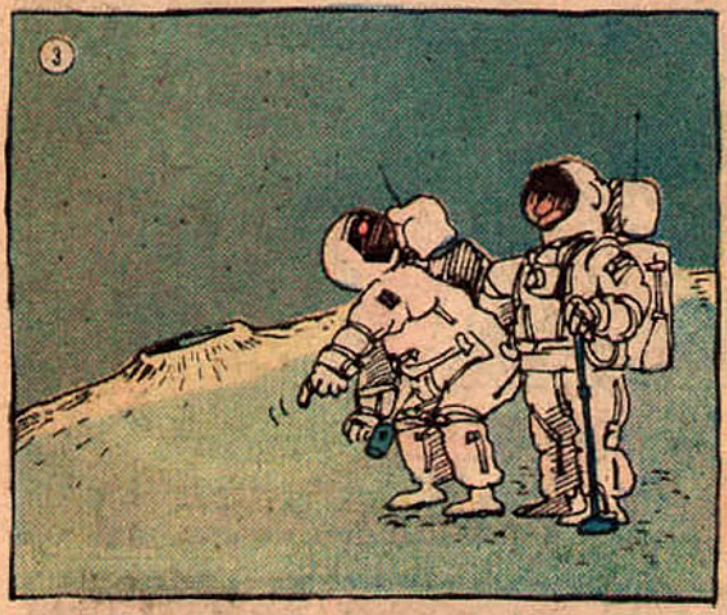

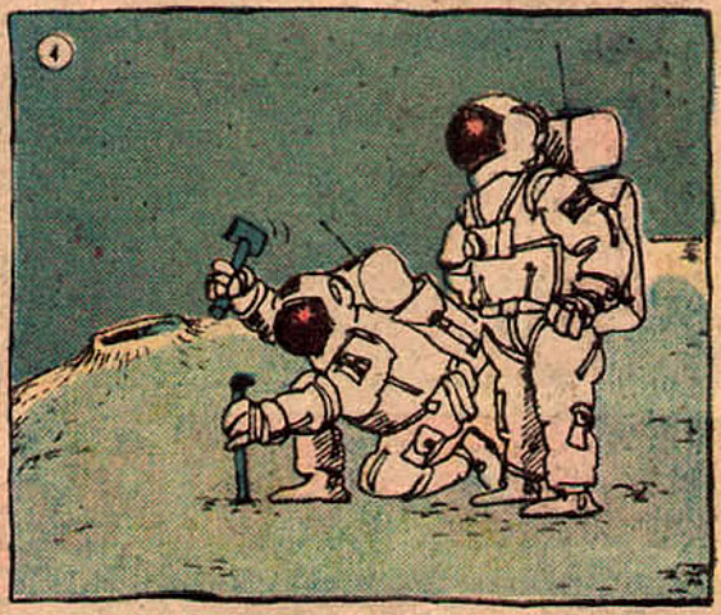

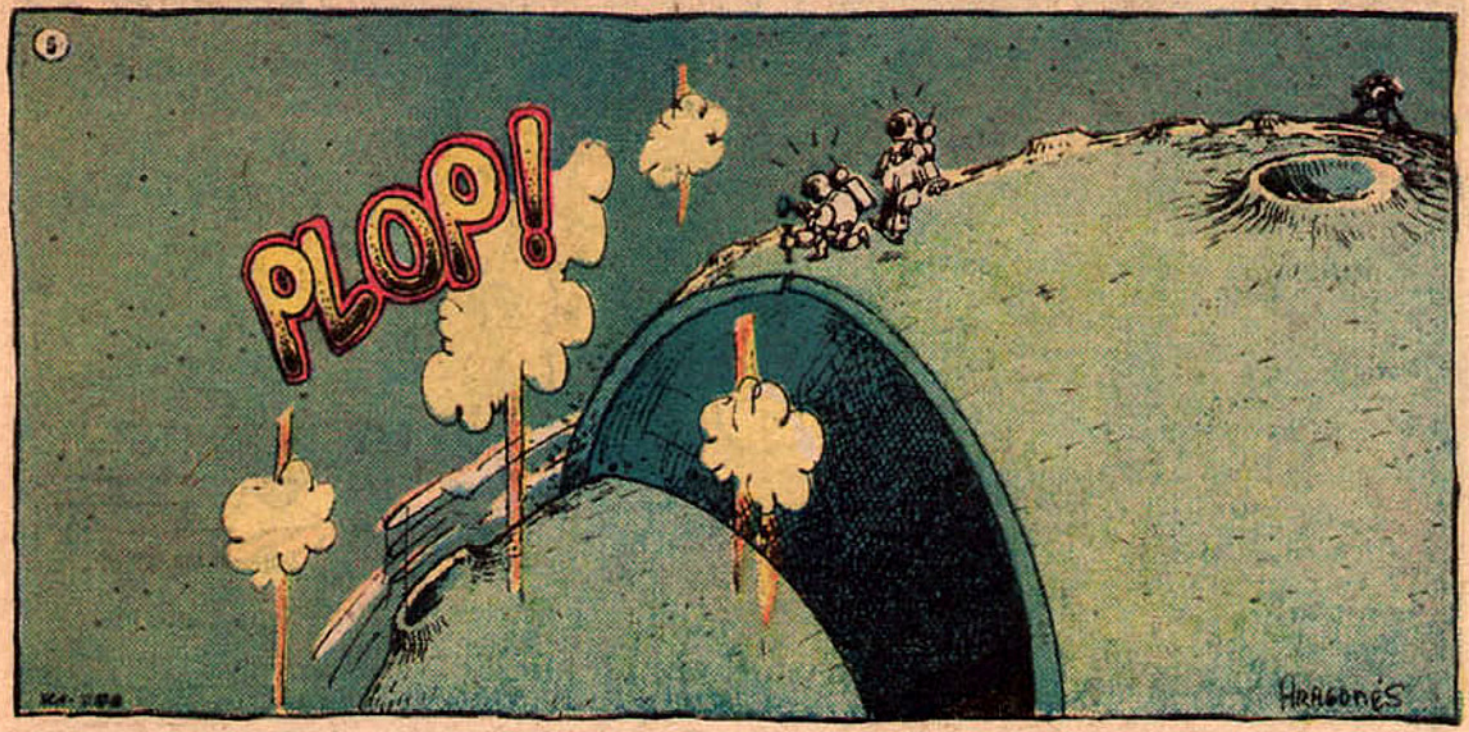

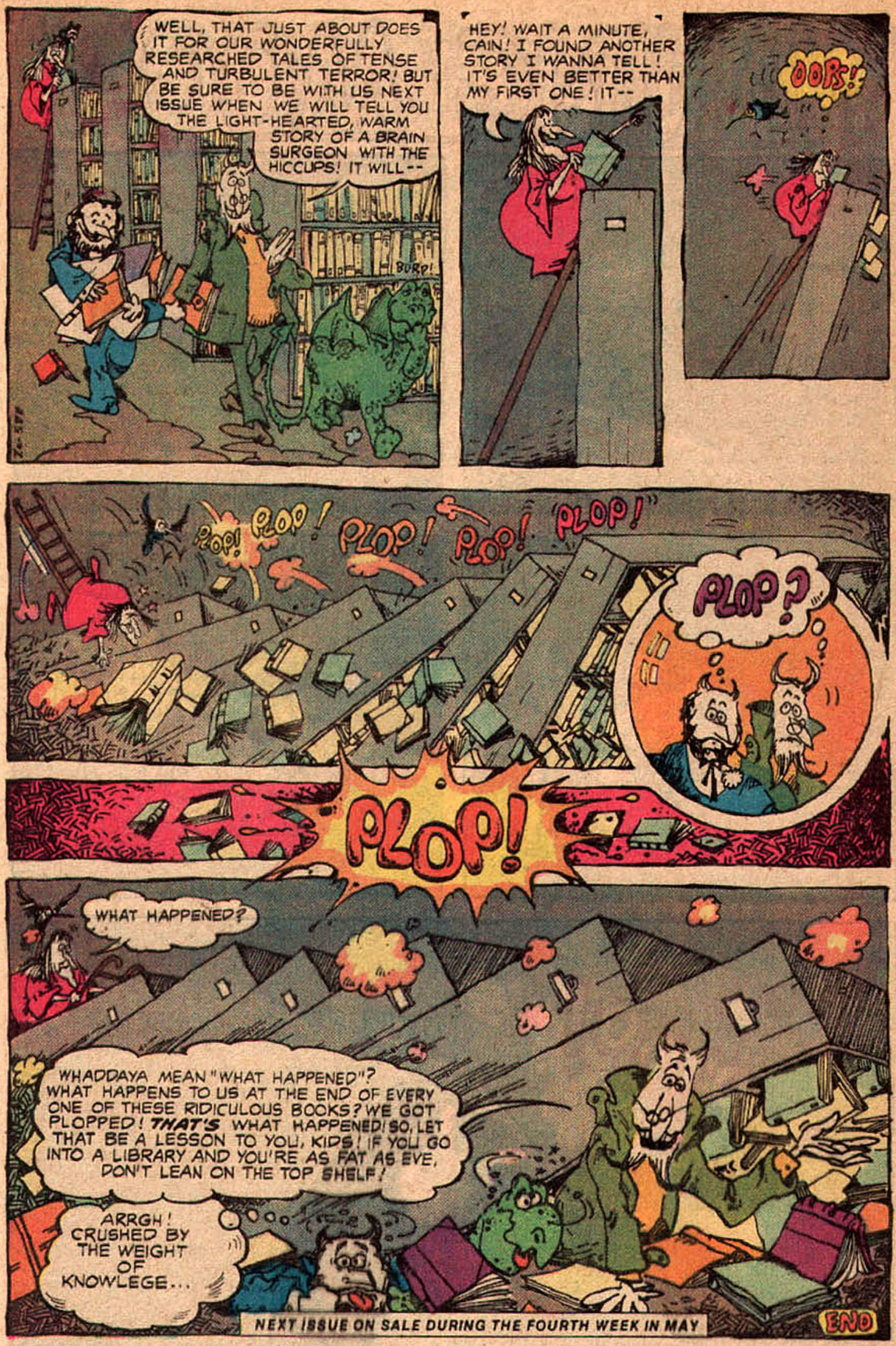
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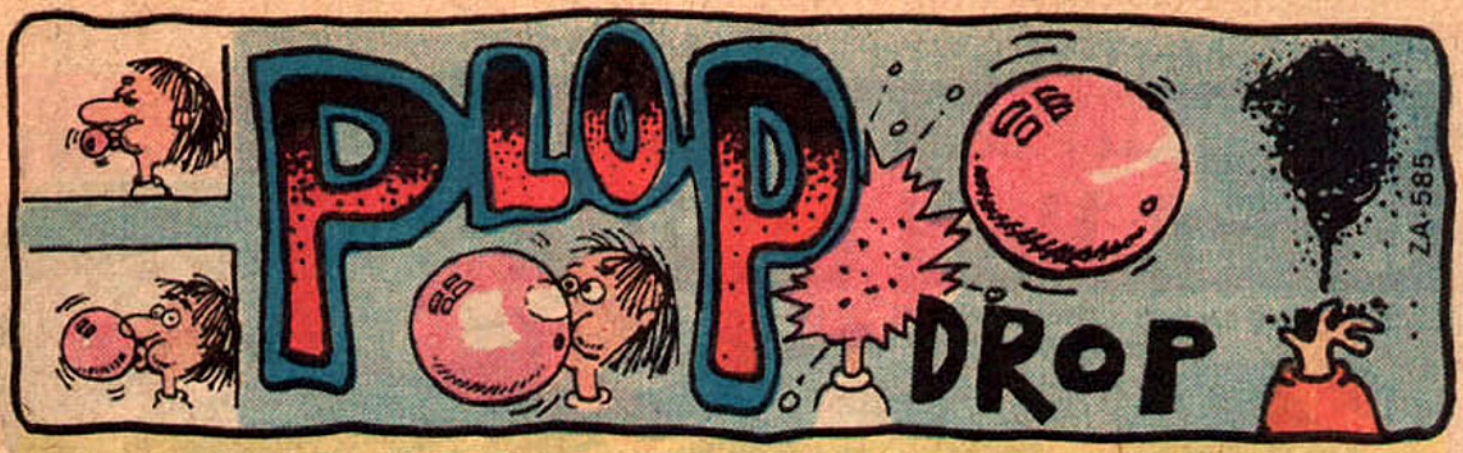

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Dear Plop,

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Dear Plop,

Could you please tell me one thing—what's a Plop good for?

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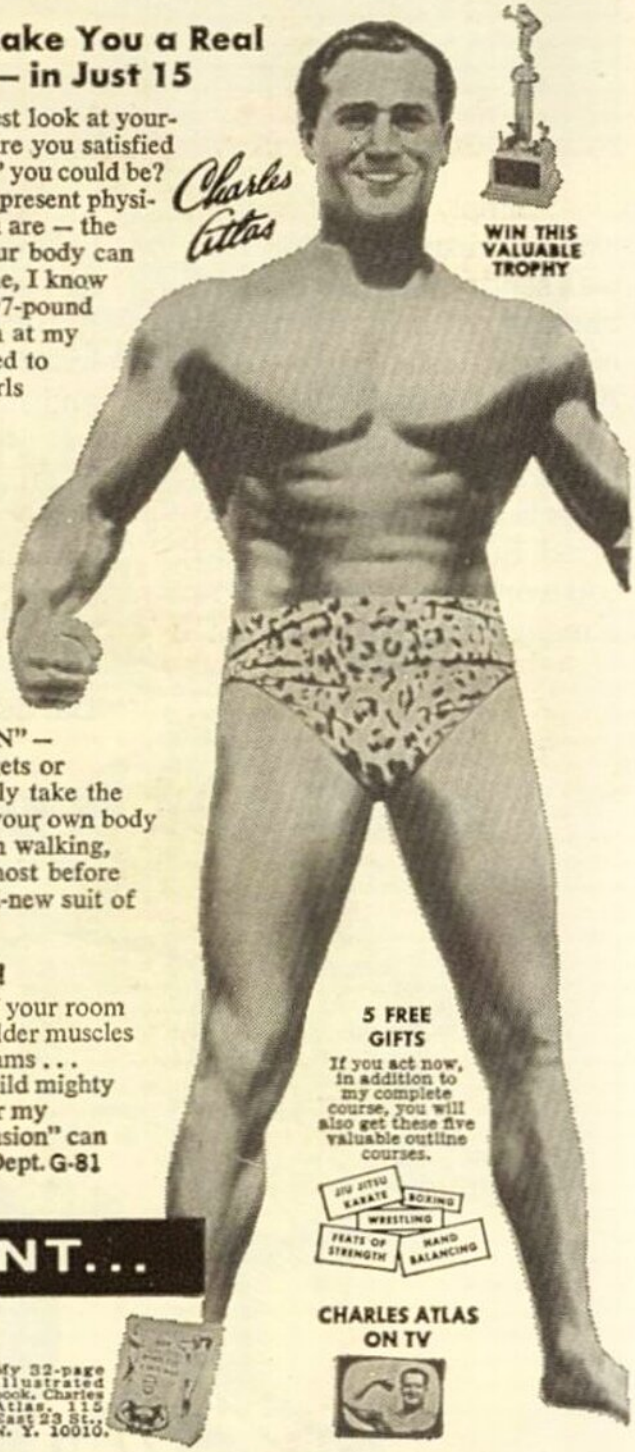

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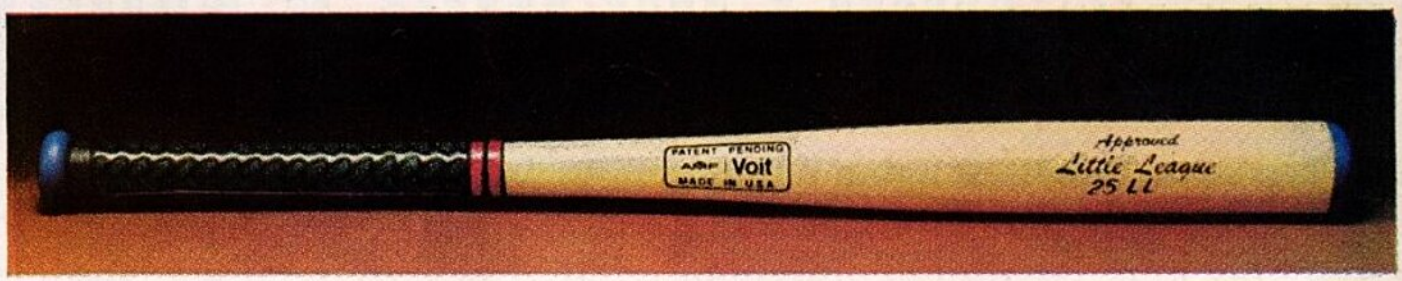

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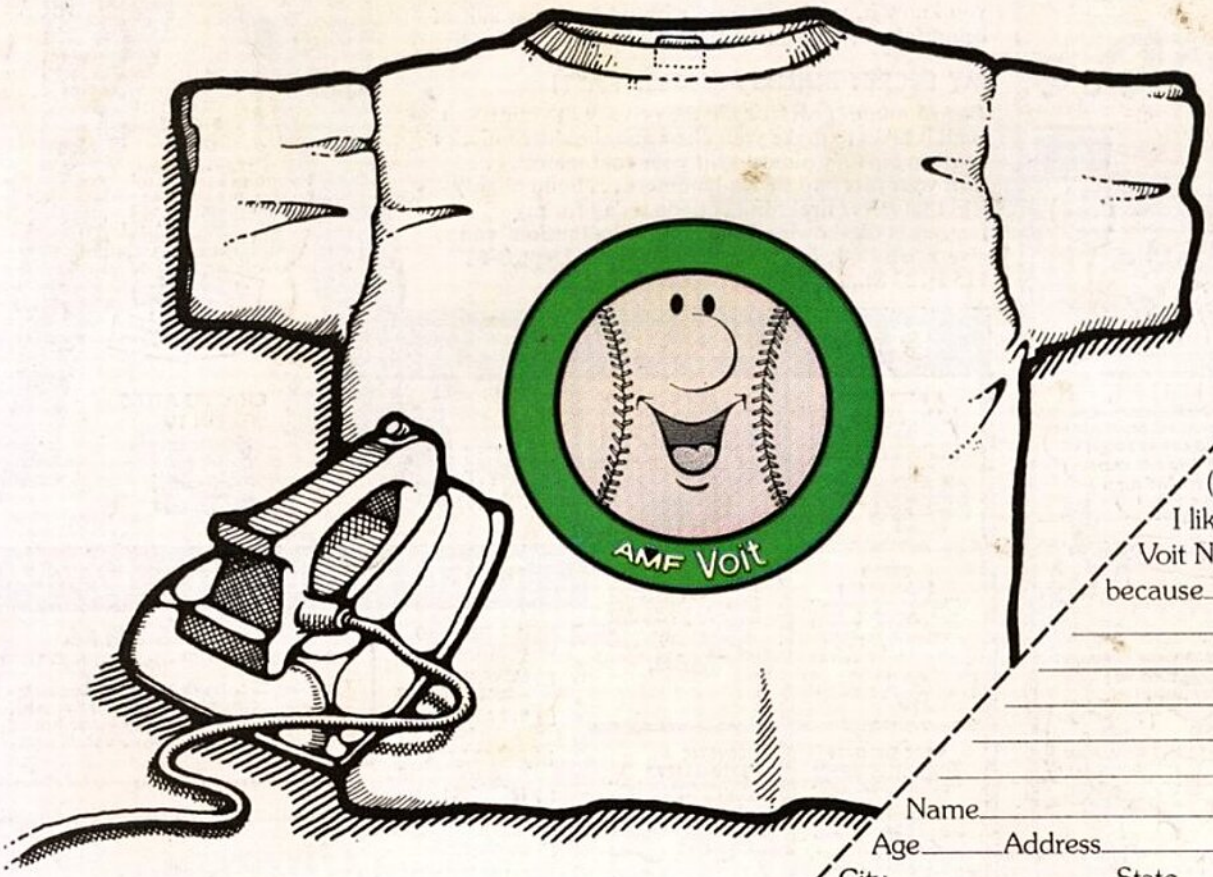

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